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PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1944-1945

To the officers, delegates and members of the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America at their 28th Convention.

Brethren in Christ:

While the world is still in the great struggle for mastery, and fear is in the hearts of those who are being conquered, above the noise and din of the battle is the cross of Jesus Christ, our only hope of salvation. Many of those who are engaged in this great struggle and have never before given this a serious thought, are making the statement that Christ is the all needful in the hours of despair and helplessness.

We, who are banded together as the Men's Organization of the Church, should therefore pray more earnestly and devoutly that the Lord of Lords and King of Kings be our Help and Stay in the days which are before us. God has been with us in the year that has gone. However, greater things are expected of us, as the saying goes, "when Johnny comes marching home." It is up to the men of the church to help him find his place again, in the church and its organizations. They left as boys but return as seasoned men, with thoughts perhaps far beyond ours, both spiritually and socially. Strenuous years are before us since the responsibility for the rehabilitation of the men returning from serving our country in this world conflict will be upon our shoulders. May God give us strength, wisdom and above all the tact necessary to serve them.

Your president enjoyed the privilege of attending the Fourteenth Biennial Convention of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood. It was found that of the sixteen Brotherhoods in the Nebraska Synod, nine had paid their dues to the National Organization. May I urge all organizations to be up and coming, so it will be a 100% Brotherhood of the Nebraska Synod when the convention meets next year in Toledo, Ohio.

At the convention the responsibility for promoting Boy Scout work in the U.L.C.A. was given to the Brotherhood. We were instructed to appoint a Synodical Director for Boy Scout work. Mr. O. E. Schellberg of Omaha, who has over 20 years experience in Scout work, was appointed to this position. In addition a committee of five has been appointed to serve for a term of one year. Those on the committee are: The Director; F. E. Wood, Fremont; Gordon E. Peterson, Auburn; Jim Williams and Geo. Rasmussen, Omaha. Each man on this committee is active in Scout work in his own congregation. May we ask for the fullest cooperation with this committee by every organization.

Your president attended the Fourth Annual Convention of the Midwest Synodical Brotherhood and thus brought the greetings of the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood. The following motion was carried, "That the President of the Midwest Synodical Brotherhood thank the President of the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood for his greetings, and that the last named be requested to convey the greetings of our body to the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood."

Due to regulations and war restrictions I was unable to visit many Brotherhoods; however, I have kept in contact, as much as possible, with all organizations. Our thanks to the pastors, officers and laymen for their willingness to help when help was needed.

Recommendations

1. That the men's organizations of the Nebraska Synod give their fullest support to the appeal of Lutheran World Action, which will be in the month of May, and help the Nebraska Synod to get the full Quota.

2. That the minutes and reports of this 28th Annual Convention be printed in the minutes of Synod.

It is the prayer of your president that the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be glorified in and through us.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. KEDDE.

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

Nebraska Synodical Lutheran Brotherhood

Held in

Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebr.

April 9, 1945

Rev. Walter H. Traub, D.D., LL.D., Pastor

The Twenty-eighth Annual Convention of the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood convened in Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, 26th and Farnam Streets, Omaha, Nebraska, Dr. Walter H. Traub, Pastor, on Monday afternoon, April 9, 1944, at four o'clock.

Rev. Karl Gigstad, Hampton, led the opening devotions. The Convention was formally opened by the President, Wm. F. Kedde.

The President announced the following committees:

Nominations: Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Omaha, Chairman.
Percy Seymour, Benedict.
Fay Mattison, Emerson.

President's Report: Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, Emerson, Chairman.
Anton Manser, West Point.
C. O. Hendrickson, Auburn.

Resolutions: Rev. Herman Joens, Dakota City, Chairman.
E. Dinkel, Omaha.
W. A. Hakle, Hampton.

Auditing: O. Nelson, Wayne, Chariman.
Rollie Longe, Wayne.

President Wm. F. Kedde gave his annual report.

The Secretary, Arthur R. Johansen, read the minutes of the previous Annual Convention, and the minutes of three Executive Commmittee meetings, held in South Sioux City, Lincoln, and Omaha.

Treasurer Ben Meyer presented his annual report, which was received with the auditing committee's report and placed on file.

Thirteen Brotherhoods responded to Roll Call, each giving an interesting report, with three organizations not affiliated also reporting.

The report of the committee on the President's Report was given by Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer. A motion, carried that the recommendations be adopted.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Rev. Karl Gigstad. The present officers were nominated for re-election: President, Wm. F. Kedde, Omaha; Vice-President, Wm. G. Rogge, Auburn; Secretary, Arthur A. Johansen, South Sioux City; Treasurer, Ben Meyer, Wayne.

A motion, carried, that nominations cease and that Rev. Karl Gigstad cast the unanimous vote for the present officers.

A short report was given by Wm. F. Kedde on the Minneapolis, U.L.C.A. Brotherhood convention.

Rev. Karl Gigstad reported on the proposed changes in the constitution. Motion carried that the Articles in which proposed changes occur be printed in full in the Minutes and attention be called to the fact that complete Constitution and By-Laws are printed in the Synod's Convention Minutes of 1942. No action can be taken on these changes until the annual convention of 1946.

The Articles of the Constitution as printed in the Synod Minutes of 1942 are herewith given, and the proposed changes are given in parenthesis.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

A. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the officers and one layman and one Pastor, elected (appointed). The Executive Committee shall have charge of the affairs of the organ-

ization between meetings; prepare the program of each meeting and, through the Secretary, notify each Brotherhood and Pastor as to time and place of the meeting.

B. There shall be a Nominating Committee appointed by the President whose duties shall be to present the names of nominees for each office at the annual meeting. Nominations shall (may) be made from the floor.

ARTICLE VI. ELECTIONS

The officers shall be elected by ballot at the Annual meeting and may serve for one year, or until their successors shall have been elected. No officer shall serve any one office more than three (3) consecutive terms.

a. No two officers can be elected from the same city or county.

b. No candidate can be elected to any office unless present at the annual convention.

(That the above section a and b be stricken from Article VI.)

A motion was made, that we consider giving financial support to the "Retreat for young men considering the ministry." Motion was lost, no second.

Motion made and carried that: "The Executive Committee be instructed to investigate Western Theological Seminary retreat for young men considering the Ministry and if found to be worthy to give it our spiritual and financial support."

Dr. J. C. Hershey, President of the Nebraska Synod, brought the greetings of the Synod.

No other business being before this session of the convention, the meeting adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. J. E. Messer, South Sioux City.

Brotherhood Banquet

The annual Brotherhood Banquet was held in the Parish Hall of Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, April 9, at 6:30 P.M., and was opened by singing of the Brotherhood song, "The Cross and the Heart." The Invocation was given by Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, Wayne, Secretary of the Nebraska Synod.

President Wm. F. Kedde introduced the toastmaster, Mr. O. W. Wince, Omaha. Musical numbers as solos were given by Mrs. Jones with Mrs. Flora Sears Nelson at the piano. Group singing was led by Rev. G. Gieschen, Omaha.

After all had partaken of a delicious dinner, Wm. Kedde introduced the first speaker on the Program, the Rev. E. G. Wood, Missionary on furlough from India, who spoke on the topic: "I Am Proud to Be a Lutheran."

An offering for defraying the expenses by the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood for the Boy Scout Program, which had been received, was announced to be $70.86.

President Dr. J. C. Hershey installed the re-elected officers.

Dr. Walter H. Traub, Pastor loci, introduced the second speaker on the program, Rev. Armin G. Weng, D.D., Chicago, President of the Illinois Synod, who had as the theme for his address: "The Work For the Men of the Brotherhood in the Post-War Era."

The following Resolutions were presented by the Committee on Resolutions:

Resolutions

1. That we lift up our hearts in humble thanksgiving to Almighty God, who in these difficult days has permitted us to have the fellowship and inspiration of this 28th Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of the Synod of Nebraska in Omaha April 9th, 1945.

2. That we express our appreciation to Dr. Traub and to the congregation for inviting the Synodical Brotherhood to hold its convention in Kountze Memorial Church and also to the ladies for the splendid banquet.

3. That we thank the speakers, Rev. E. G. Wood and Dr. Armin G. Weng, for their splendid and inspiring messages; and also express our thanks to our tastmaster, O. W. Wince; the song leader, Rev. G. Gieschen; the local talent, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Sears Nelson for musical numbers; and all who worked so faithfully for the success of this convention.

4. We thank our President, Wm. F. Kedde, and other officers for their faithful work.

5. That a continued effort be made to have an active Brotherhood in every congregation and that all Brotherhoods and Men's organizations be urged to encourage young men to prepare for full time service in the Gospel Ministry.

6. That we express our appreciation to Arthur Dallas of the Union Pacific Railroad for donating the material and printing the programs for this convention.

7. That we lift our hearts in prayer unto Almighty God that a speedy and lasting peace may soon be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed)
HERMAN JONES,
E. H. DINKEL,
W. A. HAKLE.

A motion was carried the Resolutions be adopted.

The convention adjourned by singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"; Dr. Leland Lesher, Lincoln, closed with prayer.

(Signed) ARTHUR JOHANSEN.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE NEBRASKA SYNODICAL BROTHERHOOD

Receipts

1944:
April 20, Balance on hand ---------- $64.92

April 24, Banquet Offering	62.82	
June 13, Zion, Benedict	10.00	
June 19, St. Paul's, Wayne	7.50	
June 26, St. Paul's, Auburn	3.00	
Aug. 3, Salem, Dakota City	3.00	
Dec. 4, St. Paul's, Auburn	2.00	
1945:		
Jan. 30, Zion, Benedict	10.00	
Feb. 13, St. Paul's, Wayne	12.50	
Feb. 19, St. Luke's, Emerson	10.00	
Feb. 23, St. Luke's Omaha	10.00	
Feb. 24, Grace, West Point	12.50	
Feb. 26, Immanuel, Hampton	8.00	
Feb. 26, First, South Sioux City	10.00	
Feb. 26, Our Redeemer, Omaha	10.00	
Feb. 26, Grace, Lincoln	12.50	
Mar. 20, Salem, Dakota City	8.00	
Mar. 27, First, Allen	5.00	
Mar. 31, St. Paul's, Auburn	8.00	
April 2, First, York	5.00	
Total Receipts		$274.74

Disbursements

1944:		
April 24, Banquet tickets for speakers	$ 6.00	
April 24, Rev. Bernhard, banquet speaker	5.00	
May 3, Earle W. Bader, Banquet Offering	62.82	
June 26, Earle W. Bader, Zion, Benedict	5.00	
June 26, Earle W. Bader, St. Paul's, Wayne	7.50	
June 26, Earle W. Bader, Synodical dues	1.00	
Aug. 11, Earle W. Bader, Salem, Daktota City	3.00	
Aug. 11, Earle W. Bader, Synodical dues	.50	
Aug. 14, Earle W. Bader, 1000 letterheads	10.00	
1945:		
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, Zion, Benedict	5.00	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, St. Paul's, Wayne	7.50	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, St. Luke's, Emerson	5.00	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, St. Luke's, Omaha	5.00	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, Grace, West Point	7.50	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, Immanuel, Hampton	3.00	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, First, South Sioux City	5.00	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, Our Redeemer, Omaha	5.00	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, Grace, Lincoln	7.50	
Mar. 12, Earle W. Bader, Synodical dues	4.50	
Mar. 20, F. E. Wood, printing Minutes	22.68	
April 2, Earle W. Bader, Auburn	3.00	
April 2, Earle W. Bader, Synodical dues	.50	
Total Disbursements		$182.00
Balance on hand April 7, 1945		$ 92.74

Respectfully submitted,

BEN MEYER, Treasurer.

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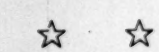

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The Rev. J. Ernest Messer, Pastor

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29th Annual Convention

APRIL 29th, 1946

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Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt

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ROLL OF SYNOD

Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Ent. Synod	Parish	Delegate
Anderson, P. O., Bellevue, Nebr.		1945	1944	Immanuel, Bellevue	
***Baltzly, O. D., Ph.D., D.D., LL.D.,	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus, Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
Bartels, Raymond, Broadwater		1946	1945	Messiah, Broadwater	James Munkres
				Grace Gurley and Trinity, Dalton	Geo. Bartels*
***Beck, Walter H., S.T.M., Ed.D., Midland College, Fremont		1922	1946	Professor at Midland College	
***Berhenke, C. H., 1054 E. 10th, Fremont		1935	1935	Attending Maywood Seminary	
***Cordts, H. C., 304 W. 20th, Falls City		1926	1925	St. Paul's, Falls City	Chester Rodgers**
Cress, F. L., Allen		1928	1936	First, Allen	
Davis, R. V., 406 So. 9th, Nebraska City		1930	1929	First, Nebraska City	Louis Rodenbrock**
*Daubenspeck, W. M.		1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
***de Freese, P., Hooper		1943	1942	Grace, Hooper	Aug. E. Hecker***
*Delo, F. S., 1024 S. 9th St., Lincoln		1894	1938	Retired	
***Dolbeer, Martin L., Jr., 2602 Farnam, Omaha		1945	1945	Ass't Pastor, Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
*Dorner, E. A.		1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
***Dumler, H., Davenport		1926	1925	Christ, Davenport	Troy Berkey***
Estrada, D., So. America		1931	1931	Missionary	
Frederick, P. W. H., D.D., 1653 N. Colson, Fremont		1900	1931	Professor at Western Seminary	
*Frederick, S., 717 So. Wheeling, Kansas City, Mo.		1937	1937	Chaplain, terminal leave	
Gieschen, G., 7103 Mine Lusa Ave., Omaha		1924	1934	Redeemer, Omaha	Wm. F. Kedde
Gigstad, K., Hampton		1941	1940	Emmanuel, Hampton	Alvin Larsen*
Goede, H. J., 1310 S. 26th St., Omaha		1930	1938	Grace, Omaha	Charles F. Paasche
*Guss, W. I., D.D., 127 N. 40, Omaha 3		1899	1919	Retired	
Harman, C. B., D.D., 225 E. Ashton, Grand Island		1900	1909	Retired	
***Haugse, E. N., 1036 S. 13th, Omaha		1935	1935	Attending Maywood Seminary	
*Hartwig, G. H., 625 N. Clarkson, Fremont		1901	1941	Professor at Midland College	
***Heidenreich, W. C., Oshkosh		1906	1928	St. Mark's, Oshkosh	Albert Quelle*
				Grace, Lewellen	Harry Tilgner*
Henkel, F. W., Auburn		1926	1938	St. Paul's, Auburn	Walter Kuenning
Hershey, J. C., D.D., 1138 N. Broad, Fremont		1917	1917	President of Synod	
***Hieronymus, W. P., Ph.D., Fremont		1921	1946	President of Midland College	
Holz, Wm. A., South America		1931	1931	Missionary	
Jacobs, John, Scribner		1946	1946	United, Scribner	
				Emmanuel, Snyder	
Joens, H., Dakota City		1929	1929	Salem, Dakota City	M. G. Leamer***
*Kahse, W. T., D.D., 1909 East Main, Enid, Oklahoma		1905	1912	Retired	
Kern, F. W., 325 E. 10th, Fremont		1927	1946	Salem, Fremont	Carl Hawkinson
***Klink, W. A., D.D., West Point		1917	1917	Grace, West Point	Louis Maack***
***Krebs, George P., 1425 E. Military, Fremont		1934	1946	Field Secretary, Midland College	
*Leamer, J. S., D.D., 3404 17th, Columbus		1895	1940	Retired	
***Lesher, L. H., D.D., 847 S. 14th, Lincoln		1921	1939	Grace, Lincoln	D. L. Tyrrell***
Magalee, P. A., British Guiana, South America		1938	1938	Missionary	
Mendenhall, G. N., D.D., Ph.D., Sterling, Kansas		1908	1922	Professor	
*Messer, J. E., S.T.M., South Sioux City		1932	1943	First, South Sioux City	Arthur Johansen

Miller, J. C., Verdon	1915	1928	St. Mark's, Verdon	B. F. Jorn***
			Trinity, Stella	Emile Nomballis
***Monnich, H. T., Sidney	1933	1945	Trinity, Sidney	
*Moeller, G. E., 1827 Jefferson St., Duluth, Minn.	1932	1932	Verdon	
Moeller, G. E.	1932	1932	Chaplain, terminal leave	
***Mortensen, E. C., Paxton	1920	1920	Trinity, Paxton	
***Mortensen, G. E.	1920	1920	Trinity, Beatrice	L. K. Stevens***
Most, W. F., 5211 Seward St., Omaha	1931	1943	Luther Memorial, Omaha	O. L. Nelson
**Matzkus, W.	1913	1940	In secular work	
Mumm, Harry, Leigh	1944	1943	St. John's Leigh	Rudolph Polenz*
***Olson, Carl J., Stamford	1911	1944	Trinity, Stamford	Levi Dellmont*
Petersen, Erich C., Ponca	1931	1945	Salem, Ponca	Walter Arends***
Pfeiffer, R. R., Emerson	1929	1943	St. Luke's, Emerson	G. H. Haase***
***Pinkall, A. H, 3931 S. 23rd, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's Omaha	Henry Grimm***
***Rangeler, Wm. F., D.D., Fremont, Nebr.	1898	1946	Retired	
Rohlfing, E. F., British Guiana, South America, P. O. Box 20	1935	1934	Missionary	
***Rubrecht, G. K., D.D., 311 W. 5, North Platte	1905	1928	First, North Platte	A. T. Yost
Rupley, J. B., Sr., 1321 W. 2nd, Grand Island	1916	1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island	H. G. Wellensiek, Esq.
Rupley, J. B., Jr., York	1942	1941	First, York	
			First, McCool Junction	
Saas, W. H.	1925	1924	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
Shiery, John H. M., 3222 14 St., Columbus	1945	1944	United, Columbus	Harm Kruse***
***Shirck, Robert. Rising City	1945	1944	First, Rising City	Louis L. Harris***
Schuldt, T. J. C., 419 Pearl, Wayne	1936	1936	St. Paul's, Wayne	Wm. Wagner***
**Switzer, Ernest, Hildreth	1944	1943	St. Paul's, Hildreth	John C. Witforth**
***Traub, W. H., D.D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha	Paul H. Palmquist***
Wiegman, P., Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah	S. A. Wassum
			St. John's Vacoma	
Wise, W. G., Tabitha Home, Lincoln	1933	1946	Supervisor at Tabitha Home	
Wood, E. G., Chirala Guntur, India	1929	1929	Missionary	
***Young, A. W., 2547 N. 62nd, Omaha	1926	1944	First Eng. Lutheran, Omaha	
Hamilton, Harold, Lawrence, Kansas (Licentiate)		1945	Assistant Pastor, Trinity	
Rupley, Kendig, Western Seminary (Licentiate)		1946	St. Paul's, Hardy	
Shirck, John, Western Seminary (Licentiate)		1946	First, Wilber	Mrs. Lad Skocpol**
Suhr, Marvin (Licentiate)		1946	St. Paul's, Missouri Valley, Iowa	
Vacant (Reg. Supply—Hampton)			Zion, Benedict	Fred Liedtke*
Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Salem, Dakota City)			Emmanuel, Dakota City	Mrs. Neiswanger***
Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Dakota City)			St. Paul's, Homer	Louis Jeppesen
Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Dakota City)			Trinity, Hubbard	Sophus Hansen***
				Frank Lussier***
Vacant			First, Ericson	
Vacant (Supplied by Dr. Harman)			Trinity, Wolbach	
Vacant (Reg. Supply—Paxton)			Grace, Sutherland	
Vacant (Reg. Supply Seminary)			Grace, Walton	
Vacant (Reg. Supply Seminary)			Trinity, Eagle	
Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Grace, Omaha)			St. Mark's, Omaha	Charles Puls
Vacant (Reg. Supply—Kimball) A. L. C., Rev. Ries			First, Potter	

*Absent and Excused
**Absent and Not Excused
***Absent Part Time and Excused
****Absent Part Time and Not Excused

Alternate Clerical

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Rev. G. Gieschen
Rev. E. C. Mortensen
Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D.
Rev. W. F. Most
Rev. H. J. Goede

Lay Delegates

Mr. A. T. Yost (First, North Platte)
Mr. H. G. Wellensiek, Esq. (St. Paul's, Grand Island)
Mr. O. L. Sturtevant (Grace, Lincoln)
Mr. Walter Kuenning (St. Paul's, Auburn)
Mr. W. F. Kedde (Redeemer, Omaha)

Alternate Lay Delegates

Mr. S. A. Wassum (Emmanuel, Tekamah)
Mr. Carl Hawkinson (Salem, Fremont)
Mr. Otto Nelson (Luther Memorial, Omaha)
Mr. Wm. Wagner (St. Paul's Wayne)
Mr. Joe Rasmussen (First, Omaha)

Calendar for 1947

Place of Synod—Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska
Time—April 14, 15, 16, 17, 1947

Tentative plans as follows:
Brotherhood Convention, April 14th
Meeting of Synod, April 15 16. 17
75th Anniversary Banquet, April 15th
Ordination Service, April 16th

Synodical Sermon by the President of Synod
Ordination Sermon—Rev. J. E. Messer. Alternate—Rev. E. C. Mortensen
Chaplain—Rev. F. W. Kern. Alternate—Rev. H. Dumler
Chorister—Rev. Martin J. Dolbeer, Jr.
Organist—Rev. H. J. Goede

MINUTES

of the

SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

of

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Held in

First Lutheran Church

South Sioux City, Nebraska

April 29, 30, May 1, 1946

MONDAY AFTERNOON APRIL 29, 1946

HOLY COMMUNION

The Seventy-fourth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, the Rev. J. E. Messer, Pastor, at 1:30 o'clock, Monday afternoon, April 29th, 1946.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were conducted by the President and Secretary of Synod. The Rev. J. C. Hershey, D.D., President of Synod, preached the Communion Sermon, using as his text Acts 1:8: "Ye shall be my witnesses."

TUESDAY MORNING 8:45 A.M. APRIL 30, 1946

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. Karl Gigstad. The Meditation was based upon the Epistle for the First Sunday After Easter. Special music was presented by the Synodical choir under the direction of Rev. Martin Dolbeer, Jr., Chorister, and Rev. W. F. Most, Accompanist.

Following the Devotional Service the Formal Opening of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-three pastors and twenty-five lay delegates being present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. It was recommended that Dr. Hieronymus, President of Midland College, be given the opportunity to present the work of that institution following the formal reception of new members. A motion carried to amend the Report by deferring Recommendation 2 of the Executive Committee Report for consideration with the Report of the Executive Committee. A motion carried that the printed program be adopted as amended.

The following pastors, being presented by Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., Chairman of the Examining Committee, were formally received into the membership of Synod: Rev. George Krebs, from the Iowa Synod; Rev. Henry Monnich, from the Midwest Synod; Rev. Fred Kern, from the Texas Synod; Rev. Wm. F. Rangeler, D.D., from the Rocky Mountain Synod; Rev. Martin L. Dolbeer, Jr.; from the Ohio Synod; Rev. W. G. Wise, from the Central Pennsylvania Synod; Rev. Walter H. Beck, S.T.M., Ed.D., from the Missouri Synod; Rev. W. P. Hieronymus, Ph.D., from the American Lutheran Church.

The work of Midland College was presented by Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, President of the College.

The President of Synod presented his Report and referred it to the Committee on President's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In submitting this report permit me to thank the members of Synod for the fine co-operation we have enjoyed during the year. There is complete unity among the officers and the Executive Committee of Synod, and nothing but the most hearty good-will has been expressed.

For the second time we are meeting in South Sioux City to counsel with one another concerning the work and future of our task in building the Kingdom. The Church has never faced greater opportunities than now. Only through Christ who gives us the strength and courage to march forward can we hope to win "for we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

The statistical report reveals progress in every organization of the Church except the Children of the Church. There is a noticeable decrease in workers and pupils. In the three classifications of membership there is an average gain. The Church School has had a good gain. Financially we have had the almost unbelievable gain of $96,645 over last year. Seventy-seven and five-tenths per cent in apportioned benevolence is the highest record for Synod. For these remarkable gains we give to God all honor and glory.

STATEMENT OF OFFICIAL ACTS

Resignations

November 1, 1945, Rev. W. T. Kahse, D.D., Sidney.
November 1, 1945, Rev. A. O. Frank, D.D., Fremont.
November 25, 1945, Rev. G. H. U. Shiery, Beatrice.
October 1, 1945, Rev. R. V. Davis, Scribner-Snyder.

Calls Accepted

October 1, 1945, Rev. R. V. Davis, Nebraska City.
June 1, 1945, Rev. Martin L. Dolbeer, Jr., Kountze Memorial, Omaha.
November 1, 1945, Rev. Henry Monnich, Sidney.
March 1, 1946, Rev. Fred W. Kern, Fremont.

Ordinations

April 10, 1945, Rev. Robert Shirck, Omaha.
April 10, 1945, Rev. Arthur Freeburg, Omaha.
April 10, 1945 Rev. John Shiery, Columbus.
April 10, 1945, Rev. Peter O. Anderson, Bellevue.

Licensure

April 10, 1945, Raymond Bartels, South Sioux City.
September 13, 1945. Harold Hamilton, Omaha.
March 9, 1946, John Jacobs, Fremont.

Installations

June 10, 1945, Rev. Robert Shirck, Rising City.
August 26, 1945, Rev. John Shiery, Columbus, by his father, Rev. George H. Shiery.
October 14, 1945, Rev. Peter O. Anderson, Bellevue.
October 21, 1945, Rev. R. V. Davis, Nebraska City.
December 2, 1945, Rev. Henry Monnich, Sidney.
March 3, 1946, Rev. Fred W. Kern, Fremont.

Dismissals

November 1, 1945, Dr. A. O. Frank to the Synod of the Northwest.

November 25, 1945, Rev. Geo. H. U. Shiery to the Pennsylvania Ministerium.

Retirement

Completing more than twenty-five years of service in Trinity church in Sidney, Rev. W. T. Kahse, D.D., resigned to become effective November 1, 1945. Having held the position of full-time missionary superintendent before going to Sidney, Dr. Kahse did much work in organizing new and strengthening weak congregations. Through his influence a number of young men have entered the ministry. We are deeply indebted to Dr. Kahse and our hope and prayer is that he may continue to be a blessing in the Lord's work.

Vacant Congregations

Beatrice is in the process of calling a pastor.

Benedict is being supplied by Rev. Karl Gigstad from Hampton in a very acceptable way.

Gurley-Dalton has united with Broadwater in calling Rev. Raymond Bartels.

Walton-Eagle are being supplied by seminary students and members of the faculty.

Ericson has had no services during the year.

Dakota City, Emmanuel, has had occasional services.

Hardy is being served by student Kendig Rupley. Lutherans and Methodists are worshiping together in the Lutheran church.

Homer-Hubbard is being supplied by Rev. H. Joens from Dakota City.

St. Mark's, Omaha, is under the care of Rev. Goede of Grace Church.

Potter is being served by the American Lutheran pastor at Kimball, Rev. Ries.

Scribner-Snyder has called student John Jacobs who will become the regular pastor June 1st.

Spencer is being supplied every other Sunday by seminary students. Arrangements have been made for student Marvin Suhr, to supply regularly during the summer and during his senior year in the seminary. He is applying for licensure at this Synodical meeting.

Wilber is being supplied by seminary students and members of the faculty.

Wolbach is being supplied regularly by Dr. C. B. Harman from Grand Island. He has been shepherding these people for several years and steady progress is in evidence.

Chaplains

Our Synod furnished eight chaplains for the armed forces. The war is over and these chaplains are coming back to us. Three of them, C. H. Berhenke, E. N. Haugse, and S. Frederick are taking advantage of the refresher courses which are being offered to them. E. A. Dorner and W. M. Daubenspeck are continuing in the army as permanent chaplains. G. E. Mortensen, G. E. Moeller, and W. H. Saas are on termonal leave. These men have served with the young men and women in the service of their country. The Church can be grateful for their splendid ministry on its behalf.

Represented United Lutheran Church

The Executive Committee of the United Lutheran Church appointed your president to represent the United Lutheran Church at the Rocky Mountain Synod April 24 and 25, 1945.

Confirmed Members Communing

The number of confirmed members communing in the United Lutheran Church averages 67%. In the Nebraska Synod the per cent is 65. We are below the average. When confirmed members do not commune they are not in good standing in the Church. It would be well worth more effort to evangelize our people and emphasize the importance and benefits of coming to the Lord's Table often. It will bring great blessings to our beloved Church.

Care of the Churches

In his work, your president has travelled an average of 1,900 miles per month by auto, bus and train. He attended 21 congregational meetings, 36 council meetings, preached 66 sermons, delivered 8 general addresses, spoke twice to the students of Midland College, attended two college Board Meetings, was appointed on a special committee to secure a pres-

ident for Midland College, was elected vice-president of the Commission on American Missions for the district of Nebraska and attended two of its meetings. He attended the presidents' conference at Columbus, Ohio, was appointed director of Lutheran World Action for the Nebraska Synod, and has attended most of the committee meetings of the various committees of Synod. Conferences with individuals have been increasing each year. One hundred two were held with individuals since the last meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HERSHEY.

The first ballot for President was taken with the understanding that he serve as full time President and Missionary Superintendent.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented by Mr. F. E. Wood. A motion carried that the Report of the Auditors be accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1945

Receipts

The apportionment	$43,009.77
Foreign Missions	2,278.51
Lutheran World Action	11,589.05
Midland College, special gifts	34.05
Tabitha Home, special gifts	4,010.33
Forward Midland Campaign	16,441.94
Brotherhood, space Synod Minutes	48.60
Ministerial Pension and Relief	15.00
Women's Missionary Society	22.46
Sunday School Union	5.00
Midland Assembly	25.00
Hooper Relief	12.20
Maintenance Tabitha Home	23.00
Jewish Missions	12.00
American Missions	51.45
Deaconess Work	20.53
Home Missions	25.00
Refund, Harry Mumm	4.80
Refund, F. W. Henkel	8.80
Synod offering, Kountze Memorial	47.76
	$77,685.25

Disbursements

United Lutheran Church Apportionment	$18,678.34
United Lutheran Church Specials	14,014.00
Midland College Apportionment	9,343.00
Midland College Special Gifts	34.05
Western Theological Seminary Apportionment	3,120.00
Tabitha Home Apportionment	4,010.33

Tabitha Home Special Gifts	4,669.33
Mission Committee Apportionment	1,500.00
Ministerial Aid Apportionment	500.00
Synod Offering at Kountze Memorial, Omaha	47.76
Sunday School Union	5.00
Midland Assembly	25.00
Grace Church, Hooper	12.20
Mrs. Burkhardt, Maintenance Tabitha Home	23.00
Forward Midland Campaign	16,441.94

Synod Items

Dr. J. C. Hershey, salary and expenses	3,696.03
W. A. Klink, Executive Committee	15.97
A. T. Yost	18.09
W. W. Kuenning	10.43
Chappel Printing Co., Synod Lutheran, etc.	288.18
R. V. Davis, salary and expense, Min. Ed. Com.	57.00
Harry Mumm, Exp. Lutheran	4.80
Herman Joens, Min. Ed. Com.	6.00
Herman Joens, Exp. Garrett Bible Inst.	25.00
G. Gieschen	2.30
W. C. Heidenreich	12.98
T. J. C. Schuldt, salary and expense	151.38
Nebr. State Savings & Loan, box rent	2.40
F. E. Wood, salary and supplies	120.56
J. C. Hershey, Ex. Com. Expense	15.20
Hansen Audit Co., Treasurer's books	25.00
Photographer at Sidney	6.00
Martin Schroeder, Rural Work Synod	25.00
Paul Wiegman, Parish Life Com.	45.00
H. J. Goede, Parish Life Com.	40.00
H. J. Goede, Church Schools	5.15
Enterprise Publ. Co., Minutes of Synod	249.49
G. Gieschen, L. L. Camp	75.00
Nebr. State Luther League	125.00
Secretary of State	2.00
O. G. Nelson Stewardship Com.	5.60
E. Mortensen, meeting with Stewardship Com.	12.00
Paul Wiegman, meeting with Stewardship Com.	3.20
F. W. Henkel, meeting with Stewardship Com.	8.80
W. F. Kedde, Stewardship Com.	3.20
Henry Dumler, meeting with Stewardship Com.	12.00
Harry Bunge, meeting with Stewardship Com.	5.00
Owen Printing Co., Ledger	3.85
A. W. Young, Stewardship Com.	3.20
Greens Greenhouse, flowers—Dr. Knubel	10.65
L. H. Lesher, Exam. Com.	4.75
W. F. Most, Exam. Com.	3.75
J. B. Rupley, Sr., Exam. Com.	9.55
William S. Avery, S. S. Enlistment	35.00
Martin Bros., Treasurer's bond	10.00
Rev. Alvin M. Peterson, Student Work, Uni. of Nebr.	100.00
Exchange, bank	6.40
	$77,685.25

TREASURER'S REPORT

Church	Apport.	Paid	Pct.	Nominal	Totals	LWA	Midland Burkhart
Allen	$ 453.00	$ 108.00	24.8	$ 42.00	$ 150.00	$ 42.00	$
Auburn	1,448.00	1,515.00	104.6	1,965.35	3,480.35	347.63	1,023.30
Beatrice	542.00	383.00	70.6	431.00	814.00	175.00	245.00
Benedict	444.00	512.50	115	424.86	937.36	65.95	293.05
Broadwater	182.00	202.00	111	103.33	305.33	43.78	133.55
Columbus	284.00	304.00	107	152.20	456.20	107.70	34.50
Dakota City Em.	27.00	10.00	34.4		10.00		
Dakota City Salem	599.00	352.71	59	136.54	489.25	73.25	
Dalton	444.00	280.00	63	357.50	637.50	133.50	179.00
Davenport	999.00	1,000.00	100	248.71	1,248.71	77.90	170.81
Eagle	187.00	25.00	13.7	15.00	40.00		15.00
Emerson	1,137.00	751.50	66	1,007.74	1,759.24	425.93	
Ericson	71.00	10.00	14		10.00	G. Mendenhall	
Falls City	2,238.00	1,363.00	60.9	405.00	1,768.00	141.00	264.00
Fremont	2,491.00	2 724.44	109.4	1,188.51	3,912.95	731.51	1,276.78
Grand Island	4,604.00	2,912.35	63.2	1,604.80	4,517.15	853.05	1,639.25
Gurley	551.00	554.00	100.5	188.50	742.50	57.00	131.50
Hampton	258.00	167.93	65	262.98	430.91	28.85	196.00
Hardy	319.00	200.00	62	90.00	290.00	90.00	46.00
Hildreth	396.00	78.74	20	64.00	142.74	41.00	80.85
Homer	715.00						
Hooper	919.00	625.00	68	1,334.24	1,959.24	277.00	1,005.00
Hubbard	266.00						
Leigh	715.00	515.80	72	544.21	1,060.01	245.45	222.14
Lewellen	284.00	288.00	101	705.00	993.00	70.00	635.00
Lincoln	2,282.00	3,000.00	131	813.98	3,813.98	750.00	
McCool Jct.	497.00	336.00	67.6	120.27	456.27	110.27	
Nebraska City	715.00	417.72	58.4	95.72	513.44	95.72	231.50
North Platte	2,451.00	3,038.00	124	1,095.00	4,133.00	762.00	35.00
Omaha First	938.00	929.00	99	528.69	1,457.69	307.69	200.00
Omaha Grace	879.00	227.86	25.9	350.00	577.86	100.00	126.00
Omaha Kountze Memorial	9,660.00	5,650.00	58.5	4,044.24	9,694.24	1,000.00	1,000.00
Omaha Luther Memorial	444.00	753.00	167.6	460.81	1,213.81	170.35	232.50
Omaha Redeemer	1,576.00	1,965.00	125	1,267.25	3,232.25	661.67	636.40
Omaha St. Lukes	2,527.00	2,739.71	108.4	3,014.00	5,753.71	614.00	1,200.00
Omaha. St. Marks	551.00	510.27	92.6	75.00	585.27	75.00	
Oshkosh	205.00	255.00	124.4	408.00	663.00	108.00	290.00
Paxton	551.00	691.00	125.4	1,013.03	1,704.03	335.00	588.00
Ponca	990.00	320.00	32.3	240.00	560.00	240.00	
Potter	115.00	115.00	100	252.91	367.91	68.04	184.87
Rising City	763.00	776.73	101.7	234.35	1,011.08	200.00	
Scribner	733.00	225.00	30.7	98.25	323.25	73.25	37.50
Sidney	631.00	496.00	78.6	755.00	1,251.00	175.00	164.50
Snyder	266.00	25.00	9.4	44.00	69.00	44.00	
So. Sioux City	1,221.00	1,337.00	109.5	702.79	2,039.79	418.30	87.97
Spencer	387.00						
*Stamford	622.00	440.00	70.7	387.00	827.00	47.00	340.00
Stella	111.00	113.75	102	10.85	124.60	9.85	5.00
Sutherland	89.00	99.00	111.2	90.46	189.46	22.46	62.00
Tekamah	435.00	435.00	100	734.00	1,169.00	98.00	603.00
Tacoma	248.00	230.00	92.7	220.00	450.00	30.00	190.00
Verdon	506.00	254.00	50.2	40.00	294.00	40.00	
Walton	382.00	42.30	11.7	112.00	154.30	12.00	100.00
Wayne	1,345.00	690.00	51.3	579.00	1,269.00	579.00	
West Point	1,541.00	1,078.46	70	5,401.45	6,479.91	308.95	5,448.00
Wilber	351.00	178.00	50.7	50.00	228.00	50.00	
Wolbach	342.00	137.00	40	13.75	150.75	13.25	
York	492.00	372.00	75.6	32.25	404.25	32.25	1,000.00
Bellevue	None	200.00	100		200.00		
Frank S. Delo						10.00	
Refund from Bd. Inner Missions		50.00			50.00		
		$43,009.77	77 5	$34,555.52	$77,565.29		

*Pastor at Stamford advises mistake in 1944 membership. Amount remitted represents over 100%.

This is just by way of a thank you to our pastors and treasurers for the splendid cooperation you have given me during the year 1945. Twenty-three churches paid benevolence in full as against seventeen in 1944, a gain of 8%, a total of 37%. $18,678.34 was paid to U. L. C. A. treasury, a gain of 17% over 1944, a total of 62.5%. The need is still as great as ever and will continue to be so and if that need is to be alleviated to any material extent it will take consecration on the part of everyone of us and I have confidence that our people will respond eagerly if they are kept informed of the need. "In as much as ye have done it unto the least of these, my children, ye have done it unto me."

F. E. WOOD, Treasurer.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for President. There was no election.

The second ballot for President was taken.

The Report of the Statistician was presented by Rev. R. V. Davis.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

There are 59 congregations enrolled. Reports have been received from 54 congregations. Congregations from which we have been unable to receive reports are: Ericson, First Lutheran; Hardy, St. Paul's; Scribner, United Lutheran; and Walton, Grace.

A duplicate copy of the report of each congregation, with the necessary corrections made by your Statistician, and a summary of all reports will be sent to the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Clerical Roll of Synod (December 31, 1945) lists 60 names classified as follows: 34 active pastors, 8 chaplains, 4 professors, teachers and general workers, 5 foreign missionaries; 5 retired, 2 licensed, 1 in secular employment and 1 now serving a congregation not on the roll of synod.

Membership - Gains - Losses

GAINS: 548 Baptized Members; 465 Confirmed Members; 276 Communing Member; 10 in Men's organizations; 67 in Women's organizations; 81 in Mixed Organizations; 110 in Young People's Organizations as compared with a loss of 134 in previous year; 85 in Weekday School enrollment; 29 in catechumens; 23 in Lutheran Institutions; 29 in Non-Lutheran Institutions; and 397 in Sunday School enrollment as compared with a loss of 54 in previous year.

LOSSES: 25 leaders and 179 pupils in Children of Church.

Valuation Church Property - Gains - Losses

GAINS: In Church Buildings $17,750; Parsonages $9,050; Endowment $1,443. Other property 21,332; Total Gain $49,575.

INDEBTEDNESS

The Indebtedness of Synod on the property of the congregation of Synod in 1945 was $45,589 as compared with $85,290 in 1944, or a decrease in the indebtedness of $39,701.

Expenses - Gains - Losses

GAINS: Congregational $7,481, Unusual $44,679 with the gain in Total Congregational Expenses of $52,160.

Congregational Benevolence - Gains - Losses

GAINS: Education $20,399; Foreign Missions 886; Social Missions $13,558; Other Benevolences $3,836.

LOSSES: American Missions $760.

Totals

Total Unapportioned Benevolence $66,062, or an increase of $37,918 over last year. Total Apportioned Benevolence $43,009.77, or an increase of $6,567.88 over last year. Total Benevolence (Unapportioned and Apportioned) was $109,071.77, or an increase of $44,485.37 over last year. Total Expenditures of Synod was $392,-117.77 or an increase of $96,645.37 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. V. DAVIS.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for President. There was no election.

The third ballot for President was taken.

The following official representatives were presented to Synod: the Rev. C. F. Stickles, D.D., President of the Michigan Synod, representing the U.L.C.A.; the Rev. R. E. West, Secretary of the Rocky Mountain District, American Bible Society; Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, President of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society; Mr. W. F. Kedde, President of the Synodical Brotherhood; the Rev. W. F. Most, President of the Synodical Luther League.

Announcement of Special Committees was made by the President.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented by the Secretary.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(1945-1946)

The Executive Committee has held three meetings since the last meeting of Synod. Reports of the President and Treasurer were presented at each meeting. Principal items of business are outlined as follows.

May 1, 1945

1. The Standing Committees required by the Constitution and the Special Committees were appointed. The Calendar for the 1946 Convention was arranged as shown in the 1945 Minutes.

2. The Committee transacted the unfinished business referred to it by the 1945 Convention.

3. Motions carried as follows:

a. That $25 be given Dr. Martin Schroeder for his presentation of Rural Work at the meeting of Synod.

b. That the bill of $6 be allowed in payment for Photograph of Ordinands.

c. That the 74th Annual Convention of Synod be held April 29, 30, May 1, 1946.

d. That a Bulletin be printed for use at the next meeting of Synod and that March 1st be set as the deadline for Committee Reports.

December 17, 1945

4. President Hershey announced the following:
   a. The appointment of Rev. H. Joens to attend the Conference on Rural Church Work at Garrett Biblical School, Chicago.

   b. The appointment of Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer to the Midland Assembly Board.

   c. That the Board of Education has instituted a plan whereby fellowships are to be awarded worthy individuals for specialized study in various spheres of the work of the church.

It was stated that a nomination for such a fellowship had been made by the President of Synod in consultation with the authorities of Midland College and Western Seminary.

5. Motions carried as follows:

   a. That $25 be paid Pastor H. Joens for expense incurred in his attendance at the conference on Rural Church Work.

   b. That $35 be paid Rev. Wm. S. Avery for expense in attending the Omaha meeting of the Sunday School Enlistment Program.

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6. Motions carried as follows:

   a. That the resolution from the Synodical Brotherhood Executive Committee, requesting more time for the Brotherhood Convention, be referred to Synod for action.

   b. That the Synodical Communion Service be held April 29th, at 1:30 P.M.

   c. That the Ordination Service be held April 30th, at 8 P.M.

   d. That the President receive bids for the printing of the Bulletin and Minutes of Synod.

   e. That President Hershey grant an ad interim licensure to John Jacobs.

   f. That the following recommendations be presented to Synod.

Recommendations

1. That Synod grant delegates to the convention of the United Lutheran Church in America a $6 per diem allowance.

2. That Synod build a parsonage for the President.

3. That the funds for the building of a parsonage be provided for as a Fixed Item of the Budget upon the basis of 50c per Communing Member, each year, for a period of two years.

4. Budget for 1947.

Budget For 1947

Section 1. Fixed Items.	
Salaries	$ 3,250.00
Midland College ($1 per Communing Member, 75%-25%)	9,817.00
Western Seminary ($1 per Communing Member 75%-25%)	3,272.00
President's Travel Expense	700.00
Missions	3,000.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Synodical Paper	350.00
General Expense Fund	350.00
Printing	300.00
Student Work at the University of Nebraska	100.00
Young People's Camp	75.00
Auditor's Fees	25.00
Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Committee on Parish Life and Work	150.00
Total	$21,899.00
Section 2. The Apportionment.	
The United Lutheran Church in America	$37,794.00
Tabitha Home	7,352.00
Total	$45,146.00
Grand Total	67,045.00

The tellers reported on the third ballot for President. Dr. J. C Hershey was elected.

The first ballot for Vice-President was taken.

Consideration was given to Recommendations 1, 2, 3 of the Executive Committee. Upon motions Recommendation 1 was adopted, Recommendations 2 and 3 were rejected.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Vice-President. Dr. C. B. Harman was declared elected.

The first ballot for Secretary was taken.

A motion carried that action on the Budget be deferred.

Mr. F. E. Wood was nominated for Treasurer. A motion carried that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Wood. Mr. Wood was declared elected.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Secretary. Rev. J. C. Schuldt was declared elected.

The first ballot for Statistician was taken.

The work of the American Bible Society was presented by Rev.

Richard E. West, Secretary of the Rocky Mountain District of the Society.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Statistician. Rev. R. V. Davis was declared elected.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Rev. F. W. Henkel, Chaplain of Synod.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON 2 P.M. APRIL 30, 1946

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. Erich Peterser. His message was based upon the words of Holy Scripture written in the 17th Chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the 9th verse. Special music consisted of a vocal solo sung by Rev. Martin Dolbeer, Jr., Chorister of Synod.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-five pastors and twenty-eight lay delegates being present.

Minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. It was recommended that the Report of the Midland Assmbly follow the presentation by Rev. C. F. Stickles, D.D., as Official Representative of the United Lutheran Church in America. The recommendation was adopted.

Dr. C. F. Stickles spoke to Synod concerning the causes of the U.L.C.A.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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The Executive Session of Synod convened at 3:30 P.M. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. C. Mortensen.

The Report of the Examining Committee was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher, Secretary of the Committee. The Recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

September 12, 1945
Western Seminary
Fremont, Nebraska

The Examining Committee met to consider the application for ad intermin licensure by Student Harold Hamilton, a Middler at the Seminary.

Dean T. D. Rinde presented the grades of Student Hamilton and testified to his scholarship and Seminary rating.

President Hershey stated that Student Hamilton had a call to serve an interne year as assistant to Pastor Alfred J. Beil at Topeka, Kansas, who had been elected President of Kansas Synod.

Mr. Hamilton then appeared for examination by the members of the Committee, in harmony with the Constitutional requirements.

On motion Student Hamilton was recommended for ad interim licensure.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE,
LELAND H. LESHER, Secretary.

First Lutheran Church,
South Sioux City, Nebr.
April 29, 1946.

The Examining Committee met to examine candidates for ordination and licensure and to consider for enrollment in the membership of Synod pastors from other Synods of the U.L.C.A. and from other Lutheran bodies.

During the year the following pastors have been enrolled in the membership of Synod upon examination of their credentials and the favorable report of this committee:

Rev. Martin L. Dolbeer, Jr., from the Ohio Synod, now Associate Pastor at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha.

Rev. Henry Monnich, from the Midwest Synod, now pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Sidney.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Having satisfactorily passed the academic requirements of the Seminary for graduation, and the examination of your committee, we recommend for ordination at this session of Synod the following Licentiates:

(1) Candidate Raymond Bartels, having received and accepted a call to the Broadwater-Gurley-Dalton parish.

(2) Candidate John Jacobs, having received and accepted a call to the Scribner-Snyder parish.

2. Having satisfactorily passed the academic requirements of the Seminary, and the examination of your committee, we recommend for licensure until the next meeting of Synod the following students:

(1) Student John Shirck, having been called to serve as the regular supply pastor in the Wilber congregation.

(2) Student Kendig Rupley, having been called as regular supply pastor in the Hardy parish.

(3) That the President of Synod be authorized to grant an ad interim licensure to student Marvin Suhr, when and if he receives a call for regular supply work.

3. That the license of Harold Hamilton, assistant to Dr. Alfred Beil at Lawrence, Kansas, be extended for one year.

4. That the following pastors from other Synods of the U.L.C.A. be enrolled in the membership of Synod:

Rev. George Krahs, from the Iowa Synod, now Field Secretary at Midland College.

Rev. W. G. Wise, from the Central Pennsylvania Synod, now serving at Tabitha Home.

Rev. Fred Kern, from the Texas Synod, now pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont.

Rev. W. F. Rangeler, D.D., retired, from the Rocky Mountain Synod.

5. That the following pastors from other Lutheran bodies be enrolled in the membership of Synod: Rev. W. P. Hieronymus, Ph.D., of the American Lutheran Church, now President of Midland College and Western Seminary; Rev. Walter H. Beck, S.T.M., Ed.D., of the Missouri Synod, now Professor of History and Christianity at Midland College.

LELAND H. LESHER, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, in convention assembled at First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, April 29 to May 1, 1946.

Your Committee on Ministerial Education reports the following actions for the period beginning with the 1945 Synod and ending February 28th, 1946:

Aid in the amount of $100.00 was granted to Raymond Bartels, a Senior at Western Seminary, in accordance with action taken by Synod. The Rev. Mr. Raymond Bartels is now serving as pastor of the Broadwater church.

Applications for aid were received from Wilber Volker, Auburn, and R. Waldo Hansen, Lincoln, and approved by the Committee. Mr. Volker, on entering his sophomore year at Midland College, was granted aid in the amount of $200 in view of special circumstances that prevailed during the war. He is now a Junior, and his application for aid in the amount of $125.00 has been approved by the Commitee.

Mr. Hansen was granted aid in the amount of $125.00 for his freshman year on the basis of action taken by Synod in 1945. His application for a grant of $125.00 for his sophomore year has just been received and is pending; it will be approved by the Committee before Synod convenes.

The Committee was obliged to act in these cases in the interim, because the year-round schedule at our school caused students to enter at varying times of the year, and synodical approval could not be obtained for their applications, in advance. Since the war has come to an end, the special conditions that made these irregularities necessary have disappeared, and a normal procedure will be followed in the future. Also, the provision for an emergency fund, as established by Synod action in 1945, will no longer be required.

Wilber Volker and R. Waldo Hansen are the only beneficiaries of Synod at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

G. GIESCHEN, Chairman.

A motion was carried that the Licensure of Harold Hamilton be extended one year.

The matter of removing the name of W. Matzkus from the Roll of Synod was discussed. The President declared that a Committee would be appointed to work with the Executive Committee in following the procedure outlined in the Constitution and that a Report be given at the next meeting of Synod.

A motion carried that there be a five-minute recess following adjournment of this session.

A motion carried that the session be adjourned.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON 4:30 P.M. APRIL 30, 1946

Dr. C. F. Stickles continued his presentation of the work of the U.L.C.A.

Upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference and Counsel, a motion carried that the Report of the Historian and Necrologist follow the Report of the Midland Assembly.

The Report of the Midland Assembly was presented by Rev. A. H. Pinkall.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

The Twenty-Third Annual Midland Summer Assembly for Church Workers was held August 5-10, 1945, on the Midland College Campus in Fremont, Nebraska. Each day was opened with a devotional service at 7:30 A.M. under the leadership of the Rev. H. J. Goede of Omaha, Nebraska.

Two hours each morning were devoted to Credit Courses. The Rev. William Avery, of the Parish and Church School Board, taught the course, "A Study of Our Church", and Mrs. C. D. Heine of Hooper, Nebraska, taught the course for Primary teachers. The Rev. W. H. Greever, D.D., L.L.D., Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America, taught a course called, "Spiritual Resources."

The Pastor's Hour was in charge of the Rev. Carl Bartsch, of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota. His theme was on Stewardship.

The following spoke, Miss Emma Johnson, Missionary to India; Mrs. Adda Newsome, Fremont; Mrs. Hector Magalee, British Guiana; Chaplain J. W. Stockman; Mrs. F. C. Maurer, West Des Moines.

During the "General Lecture Hour" addresses were given by the Rev. William Avery, Parish and Church School Board; Hector Maga-

lee, Student; Miss Emma Johnson, Missionary to India; and the Rev. W. H. Greever and the Rev. Carl Bartsch.

The Knubel-Miller Foundation Lectures on "The Minister and the Ministry" were given by Dr. W. H. Greever.

The Junior Assembly for children 3 to 12 years of age was conducted under the leadership of Miss Amanda Jorn and her helpers.

Each department of the Midland Assembly had a very successful session.

In 1945, congregational organizations contributed $381.50. Free-will offerings at sessions amounted to $89.18. A gift from the Synodical Missionary Society was $50.00. This makes a total of $520.68 in receipts. This is the only financial means of support our Midland Assembly has.

Faculty expense, including transportation and entertainment while in Fremont, amounted to $229.89, publicity $52.50, administrative expense was $39.46, Gift to Midland $10.00, a total of $331.85 in disbursements.

Our Twenty-Fourth Midland Assembly will be held at Fremont, Nebraska, August 4-9, 1946. Dr. R. R. Belter, President of the Wartburg Synod and Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Burlington, Iowa, will be in charge of the Pastor's Hour. Dr. C. Franklin Koch, Executive Secretary of the Board of Social Missions will give the credit course on "Social Missions." Dr. Karl S. Henry, Secretary Division of Survey and Research of Board of American Missions will be on the faculty. Dr. Earl S. Rudisell of Parish and Church School Board will give a credit course. Miss Amanda Jorn will be in charge of Junior Assembly.

The Midland Assembly is a project of Synod which asks for the whole-hearted support of every pastor and congregation in this territory.

Officers elected for the year are: President, A. H. Pinkall, Omaha; Vice-President, Paul deFreese, Hooper; Secretary, Mrs. Oscar Johnston, Omaha; Treasurer, Mrs. Walter Johnson, Lincoln.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. PINKALL, President.

Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Historian and Necrologist, presented his Report.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Omaha, Rev. A. H. Pinkall, pastor, celebrated its fortieth anniversary Sunday, October 14, 1945. Organized October 15, 1905, with 33 charter members, it has grown to be one of the strongest and most liberal congregations of Synod. Dr. O. W. Ebright, superintendent of Tabitha Home and builder of the present fine church structure, was the principal speaker at the morning service. A Pageant called "The March of Christian Faith", centering about the growth and development of St. Luke's was presented in the late afternoon. This was followed by a fellow-

ship hour and the evening service with Dr. Ralph Livers of St. John's Church, Council Bluffs, founder of the congregation, the speaker. The anniversary festivities closed with a banquet on the following Thursday evening. Rev. A. W. Young, First Lutheran Church, Omaha, was the banquet speaker. A special Bulletin Folder containing a brief history of the congregation was widely distributed.

May we again urge all pastors and congregations to send us bulletins and other material of historical importance for permanent filing in the archives of Synod. Such material will be useful and treasured in future years when needed by interested parties.

Respectfully submitted,

G. KELLER RUBRECHT.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

There have been no deaths within the ministerial ranks of our Synod during the past synodical year. We thank God for His goodness and mercy.

Respectfully submitted,

G. KELLER RUBRECHT.

The first ballot for Historian and Necrologist was taken.

The Report of the Trustees of Midland College was presented by Rev. A. H. Pinkall. Motions carried adopting Recommendations 1, 2. A motion carried to amend Recommendation 3 to read $1.30. A motion carried that the amount be divided as follows: $1.05 to Midland College and .25 to Western Seminary. A motion carried to adopt Recommendation 3 as amended.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE TRUSTEES

We express our confidence in our new President of Midland College, the Rev. W. P. Hieronymous, Ph.D., who was elected eighth president of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary to succeed Dr. Fred. C. Wiegman. Dr. Hieronymus has been serving as acting president since June 1, 1945. We recognize him as an outstanding educator and leader, and pray God's richest blessing be upon him. His inauguration will take place during the commencement exercises on May 22 at which time Dr. Franklin C. Fry, President of the United Lutheran Church in America, will be the principal speaker.

In His infinite goodness God has given Midland and Western a good year. The enrollment has increased considerably and the morale of the student body and of the faculty has been excellent. The constituent Synods, as also the United Lutheran Church in America Board of Education, have evidenced greater interest in our college and seminary and have lent them increased support, both moral and material. For all of this we are deeply grateful.

Officers of the Corporation for 1945-46: President, Mr. Henry A. Gunderson, Fremont, Nebraska; Vice-President, Rev. Walter A. Voss, DD., Sioux City, Iowa; Secretary, Rev. A. B. Lentz, Louisville, Nebraska; Treasurer, Miss Leah L. Williams, Fremont, Nebraska.

Officers of the College: President, Dr. W. P. Hieronymus; Dean, Prof. Herman Gimmestad; Treasurer, Miss Leah L. Williams; and

Business Manager, Mr. F. E. Wood. Dr. T. D. Rinde is the Dean of Western Seminary.

Enrollment: The 59th Academic year began auspiciously with an increase in enrollment of 38% as compared with the previous year. This is the highest gain of any U.L.C.A. college. The percentage of Lutheran students is 67, an increase of 10% over last year. Twenty-two young men are enrolled as pre-theological students and four young women are preparing themselves as full-time parish workers. There are 59 veterans. Many more are expected to enroll next September. In fact, we may well look for a peak enrollment in the fall. In view of the acute housing situation in Fremont, the great present need is a dormitory to house our young men. The government has awarded Midland 20 housing units to help take care of veterans and their families.

Enrollment for past six years:

	1940-41	'41-42	'42-43	'43-44	'44-45	'45-46
Regular	325	319	315	175	163	297
Summer	187	161	171	206	255	288
Total	512	580	486	381	418	585

Faculty: Four members of the faculty have returned after a year's study, on leave, to pursue work leading to an advanced degree. They are Dean Herman Gimmestad, Mrs. Wilma Gimmestad, Prof. Glen E. Hickman, and Associate Professor Gilbert Lueninghoener. Prof. Ralph Hankey will pursue graduate work, on leave, next year. Thus the Board of Trustees is continually striving to enhance the academic work of the college.

Mr. James Weblemoe, assistant professor of physics, was inducted into the United States Navy last August. Mr. Frank Bennett, director of band and orchestra and instructor in music, resigned as of January 18, 1946.

Salary Scale: Upon authorization from the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee recently revised the salary scale, upward for the most part. This was a long overdue recognition of the sacrificial service of the faculty and staff.

Lay and Contributory Pension Plan: As of January 1 the Pension Plan of the U.L.C.A. for the lay as well as for the clerical members of the staff was inaugurated. Participation is on a voluntary basis.

Finances

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
For Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 1945

INCOME		
Educational and General		
Tuition	$ 34,465.25	
Endowment Investments	5,770.44	
Gifts and Grants	68,201.58	
Sales and Services	482.85	
Other Sources	1,456.00	
Auxiliary Enterprises	40,135.52	
Total Income from all Sources		$150,511.64

EXPENSES

Educational and General	116,071.67	
Auxiliary Enterprises	34,191.49	
Other Non-Educational	3,444.86	
Total Expenses from all Sources		$153,708.02
Net operating deficit for fiscal year ending August 31, 1945		$ 3,196.38

Through an amortization plan the college debt is being reduced by $6,000.00 annually.

Forward Midland Campaign. Here is the score for the synods as of February 1, 1946:

California	Quota	$25,000.00	Paid	$12,694.13
Kansas	Quota	29,466.00	Paid	10,960.79
Nebraska	Quota	55,228.50	Paid	21,356.82
Midwest	Quota	51,817.50	Paid	8,683.81
Pacific	Quota	11,619.00	Paid	2,943.65
Rocky Mountain	Quota	9,238.50	Paid	3,340.40
Texas	Quota	19,291.50	Paid	2,375.50
Total				$62,355.10
Alumni and Friends				$22,321.25

Our underpaid faculty sacrificially subscribed more than $3,300 toward the Forward Midland Fund.

Midland's student body is at present engaged in raising funds to apply toward the erection of Men's Memorial Hall, a new men's dormitory. Thus far 87 students have pledged a total of $1525.

The City of Fremont showed its faith in Midland by subscribing over $25,000 toward the Men's Memorial Hall. Will our Churches show less devotion and loyalty? The need is critical. The need is now. Let us not put the campaign off. Let's put it over!

Prospects: In view of the cessation of hostilities, Midland and Western may, in the Providence of God, enter upon a new era of unprecedented service in educating young men for the holy ministry and young men and women for other types of Christian leadership in Church and Society. We have been A-bombed into the stark realization that in the period just ahead the supreme emphasis must be upon training for Christian leadership or man will destroy himself.

Colleges and Universities are expecting peak enrollments in the very near future: Veterans, taking advantage of the "G. I. Bill of Rights," in large numbers are flocking to institutions of higher learning.

If Midland College and Western Seminary are to do their God-intended work well, they must have the necessary facilities, adequate buildings and equipment, and a sufficiently large guaranteed annual income. The Church will be as strong as its leadership is effective; the leadership of the Church will be as effective as the college and the seminary which train the leadership are strong. Water cannot rise above its source.

Recommendations:

1. That the convention engage in a period of fervent prayer in behalf of Midland College and Western Seminary and the successful completion of the Forward Midland Campaign.
2. That Synod unremittingly continue the campaign until its goal is reached and every congregation has completed its solicitation.
3. That Midland and Western be placed upon the synodical apportionment of the synod in the amount of $1.00 per communing member.

A. H. PINKALL.

A motion carried to extend this session fifteen minutes.

A motion carried that it be the consensus of this Synod that Western Seminary and Midland College become separate institutions.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Historian and Necrologist. Dr. G. K. Rubrecht was declared elected.

A motion carried that the offering at the Ordination Service be received for the purpose of assisting in the welfare of Pastor and Mrs. Delo in their distress of illness. A motion carried that Synod recommend to the congregations of Synod that they contribute toward meeting this need.

The session was adjourned. Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of Synod.

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The Ordination Service was conducted by the President of Synod assisted by the following pastors: Dr. C. B. Harman, Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., and Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt.

The Ordination Sermon was delivered by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING 8:45 A.M. MAY 1, 1946

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. Harry Mumm. Following the Meditation special music was provided by the Synodical choir under the direction of the Chorister.

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9. Brought reports and discussion about the Brotherhood and the Luther League and their work to the fall conference of Synod.

10. The Parish School Magazine promoted.

The above is a brief outline of some of the accomplishments of the past year. The chairmen of the various departments of this committee will give their reports covering these and others more in detail.

Although this committee follows a plan that is to be "inquiring, advisory and counseling in nature", we admit that we have much to learn before we take our rightful place as an integral part of Synod. We invite you to help us. The two great things we need are confidence in our God and zeal in his work.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL WIEGMAN, General Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Church School was presented by Rev. H. J. Goede, Chairman. Recommendations 1, 2, 4 were adopted. Recommendation 3 was rejected. A motion carried that the Recommendations be adopted as amended.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Your Church School Committee-of-one, under the Parish Life and Work Committee, submits the following report:

The Conference of Synodical leaders of Parish Education, held in Chicago, June 19 and 20, 1945, was attended by your chairman and the general chairman of the Parish Life and Work Committee. Theme of the Conference was "Planning Together." It was revealed at this Conference that the Parish and Church School Board of the U.L.C.A. had contacted in the course of field work 2276 congregations and 43,942 workers. The Conference brought out a storm of protest against the Augsburg Series, and praise for the Christian Growth Series. Comments from our territory presented at the Conference were typical of the reaction from all representative groups. Augsburg Series comment—"Written for second year Seminary students. Subversive. Doctrinally unsound. Theological background training taken for granted. College training presupposed. Too much time required in preparation by volunteer teachers. Writers produce material too far above the level of the pupil." Improvement was promised by the Board.

Your chairman attended the District Sunday School Association meetings at Auburn, Nebraska, in the interest of the general program of the Board.

An itinerary for the territory of the Nebraska and Midwest Synods was set up by the chairmen of the two synodical committees.

Pastor William S. Avery of the Board, covered the territory of Synods and reported that 33 congregations had participated with a total attendance of 227, and total offerings of $50.59. Nine meetings were held—Auburn, Lincoln, Beatrice, Hastings, Lodgepole, North Platte, Fremont, Wayne, and Omaha. Pastor Avery reports, as a result of his activity in our territory, an increase of 335 in Church School attendance.

An invitation was extended to all pastors and Parish School workers of Synod to attend a meeting in Omaha, November 6, at which time Pastor Avery presented his Enlistment Program. Seventy workers and pastors were in attendance. Along practical lines, the Board representative pointed out that campaigns and contests should not be a part of the Enlistment Program. Five essentials were listed: 1. Arousing a passion for souls. 2. Discovering new prospects. 3. Issuing Christ's invitation to them. 4. Welcoming those who come. 5. Teaching them Christ and His way of Life.

Your Church School Committee Chairman submits the following recommendations to Synod: That,

1. Recognizing the urgent need for promotion of the cause of the Church School in our Synod, one pastor be appointed from each Conference to serve on this sub-committee.

2. District Sunday School Association meetings be promoted and scheduled for the entire territory of Synod, to be attended by a member of this sub-committee.

3. Delegates of Synod to U.L.C.A. Convention be instructed to make an appeal toward an increased budget for the Parish and Church School Board of the U.L.C.A.

4. That both Adult and Junior Catechization within congregations, and week day schools be a part of the promotional work of this sub-committee.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY J. GOEDE.

The first ballot was taken for clerical member of the Executive Committee.

Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, President of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society, was introduced to Synod by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Chairman of the Committee on Women of the Church.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the Year Ending June 30, 1945
As Reported to Synod in April, 1946

The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska held its annual convention in conjunction with Midland Assembly in Fremont, August 6 to 10, 1945. Copies of the Program, Printed Reports and the Minutes have been placed in the hands of the Secretary of Synod.

During the year ending June 30, 1945, we reported 56 Societies

with a membership of 1122. Funds amounting to $9,287.29 were handled through our Treasury during the year, an increase of $763.72.

The Statistical report shows that there are still 18 congregations in the Nebraska Synod where there is no organized Missionary activity. The co-operation of the pastors in these congregations is humbly solicited in the organization of a Women's Missionary Society, or the insertion of Missionary Education into the present functioning Women's organization.

Due to the difficult problem of transportation only four District Conferences were held. Cash Box Work from all the Districts went to the Fiftieth Anniversary Fund of the Baltimore Motherhouse. The gifts from Nebraska were made in memory of Sister Ida who served so long and faithfully at Tabitha Home. The total amount of money sent for this fund was $515.36.

A goal of $1500.00 was set by the Nebraska Society toward the Triennial Objectives of the General Society. Up to June 30, 1945, the treasurer had received $1158.96 toward this goal. Our hope is that by the close of the Triennium, which is June 30, 1946, we will have passed the $2000.00 mark.

The Nebraska Society rejoices in the fact that one of her own girls, Miss Helen Evans, Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, was commissioned June 3, 1945, as a Missionary to Liberia, Africa.

Officers elected at the 1945 Convention were as follows: President, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln; Vice-President, Mrs. Oscar Johnston, Omaha; Secretary, Mrs. A. H. Pinkall, Omaha; Statistician, Mrs. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton; Treasurer, Miss Alta Schafersman, Fremont; Executive Board Members, Mrs. W. A. Klink, West Point, and Miss Bertha Krohn, Lincoln.

Delegates to the Triennial Convention of The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America, to be held October 3 to 7, 1946, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, were elected as follows: First Delegate, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln; Second Delegate, Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, North Platte; Third Delegate, Mrs. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton; First Alternate for the First Delegate, Mrs. Oscar Johnston, Omaha; Second Alternate for First Delegate, Mrs. A. H. Pinkall, Omaha; First Alternate for the Second Delegate, Miss Alta Schafersman, Fremont; Second Alternate for the Second Delegate, Mrs. A. O. Frank (since moved from bounds of Synod); First Alternate for Third Delegate, Mrs. Walter Johnson, Lincoln; Second Alternate for Third Delegate, Mrs. Paul Wiegman, Tekamah.

We wish to thank the members of Synod for their cooperation in the promotion of our program. We pledge to you our continued loyalty to the whole program of our church as she faces a world that is calling, "Come over and help us".

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. L. STURTEVANT, President.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical member of the Executive Committee. Dr. W. A. Klink was declared elected.

Mr. A. T. Yost was nominated as lay member of the Executive Committee. A motion carried that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. A. T. Yost as lay member of the Executive Committee. Mr. Yost was declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical member of the Board of Trustees of Midland College.

The Report of the Sub-committee on Men of the Church was presented by Rev. Paul Wiegman in the absence of Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Chairman.

PARISH LIFE AND WORK (Men of the Church)

The President of our State Brotherhood is making an effort to have District Brotherhood Rallies in the state, to which men of each congregation in this District should be invited. Rallies to be held at a central location. The slogan to be: "The Men of the Church for Christ".

Since it will again be possible to sponsor such meetings as the transportation problem has been eliminated, we urge the churches of our Synod and the pastors to cooperate in every way possible to bring about these Rallies. They will help to give needed inspirational instructions.

A. H. PINKALL, Chairman of Men of the Church.

Mr. W. F. Kedde, President of the Synodical Brotherhood, was introduced to Synod by Rev. Paul Wiegman. Mr. Kedde presented his Report as President of the Synodical Brotherhood. A motion carried that the Recommendation be referred, with approval, to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA SYNODICAL BROTHERHOOD

To the Oficers, Pastors and Lay-delegates of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska in Convention at First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, April 29-May 1, 1946.

Dear Brethren in Christ:

A year ago when making the report to the convention, our thoughts were with the men and boys, members of our Synod, who at that time were on the battlefields all over the world. Our prayer was, that the Lord would be with them, and soon wars would cease and peace would reign. The Lord has heard our prayers, and not many of our loved ones have found a grave on foreign soil; brought many of them back again, some broken in health, others maimed for life, but a great number of them spiritually bankrupt, even if they returned in the best of health and uninjured. The State will do its best to ease the wounds of the first two groups named above, but it will be up to the Church and especially the Men's organizations of the Church to look after the spiritual welfare of the last named group.

The men of the Brotherhood are looking for help and guidance from their spiritual leaders, the pastors, and with the help of God, prayerfully, to make the right approach to these men.

Therefore, it is our plea, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the Pastor, who has not as yet united the men in his congregation into a working organization, to do so at an early date, so they will be able to be of help to the returned service man. This is so distinctly and clearly expressed in the first Objective of the Brotherhood: "Under the direction and leadership of the Holy Spirit, we must win the unsaved for Christ."

This is not the work of the Pastor or a few members of his congregation, no, it is the work of the total man-power of the Lutheran Church.

We have not increased in the number of organzations in our Synod, nay, rather decreased. The present number of active Brotherhoods being fourteen (14). May I pass on to you the question which was asked me by leading men in our Church, quote: "Your Synod has fifty-eight (58) congregations with only fourteen (14) Men's organizations, what is the matter with your Synod?" I could not answer this question, perhaps you are able to do so.

We, the Men of the Church, pledge ourselves to help our Pastor and congregation, and through them our Synod, to obtain the apportionment set for Lutheran World Action and the U.L.C.A.

We are also aware of the fact that as ment of the Church, we are assured that only in organized groups we are able, with the help of God, to do the greatest good to the furthering of God's Kingdom and His Christ, and that our work in the past has not been in vain. Therefore, we will say, try and use us, and be convinced.

Our thanks to the Officers of Synod for their help. God's blessing be with you in this convention.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. KEDDE, President.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical member of the Midland College Trustees. Rev. A. H. Pinkall was declared elected.

Mr. W. A. Heuer and Mr. A. E. Hecker were nominated for lay member of the Midland College Trustees. A motion carried that the nominations cease.

The first ballot was taken for lay member of the Midland College Trustees.

The Report of the Sub-Committee on Youth of the Church was presented by Rev. G. Gieschen, Chairman. Recommendations 1, 2, 3 were adopted.

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION OF THE PARISH LIFE AND WORK COMMITTEE

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, in Convention assembled at First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, April 29th to May 1st, 1946,

Organized young people's work in our Synod has, for several years, been in a condition that has caused grave and general concern. It has been my endeavor during the past year to propose and support measures that promised to lead to a re-organization of state-wide young people's work in general and of the Luther League of Nebraska in particular. In this I have had the full support of the Luther League and of the Executive Committee of Synod.

The Luther League throughout America suffered a serious setback during the war through loss of leadership. In Nebraska this loss of leadership among the young people reached such proportions that there were practically no young people left who had sufficient training in Luther League work to take over the administrative offices of the state organization. As a result of this, promotional activity had come to a standstill, and chaotic conditions prevailed in the entire set-up. Besides this, we lost two experienced synodical directors of young people's work in rapid succession, and for almost a year there was a vacancy in this department. Realizing that unusual measures would be needed to get things started again, the pastors present at the 1945 convention of the Luther League advised that a pastor be elected state president. The Rev. Mr. W. F. Most, pastor of Luther Memorial Church, Omaha, was elected, and he has done much to bring order into the affairs of the League, although handicapped by untrained personnel in every department of the work. The outlook is that it will take several years before we have properly trained officers in the state organization again. In the meantime it will be up to all the pastors of Synod to give extraordinary attention and support to the Luther League, both in its local and in its state-wide aspects.

As a further step, a proposal was submitted to the Conference of Synod at their sessions last fall, to authorize the establishment of six districts for youth work in the state: Three in the North Platte Conference, two in the South Platte Conference, and one in the Western Conference. It was hoped that this would give the pastors in all parts of the state an opportunity to enter actively into the rehabilitation of our young people's work. Rallies were to be held in each of these districts during the fall of 1945 and every spring and fall thereafter to stimulate interest among our young people. Each of the Conferences voted favorably on this proposal, and convenors were appointed by the Conference presidents to organize the rallies. Four such rallies were actually held, three on November 25th and one on December 2nd: At Emerson, with an attendance of 79; at Hooper, with an attendance of 80; at Omaha, with an attendance of 126; and at Auburn, with an attendance of 128. District officers were elected in each of these four districts, including two pastors in each to serve as advisors; these officers are to plan and direct the 1946 rallies in their districts. All reports indicate that the rallies held last fall were highly successful, and, with proper support on the part of all pastors, this promises to be an effective means of reviving our young people's work. A constitution for the districts is being prepared which should be ready for adoption at the spring rallies this year. The districts will function as constituent parts of the state Luther League; they are not intended to take the place of of the state Luther League, but to make the state organization more

widely effective. We hope that all six districts will hold rallies this spring.

The 1945 Luther League Camp was conducted from August 26th to 31st at Camp Sheldon, A Y.M.C.A. camp near Columbus, with a registration of 80 and a staff of 10. A Bible course on Acts 1-15 was presented under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Erich Petersen. Life Service was stressed in a series of presentation directed by the Rev. Mr. F. W. Henkel, dean of the camp. A new feature was introduced in the form of biblical and religious motion pictures; this attempt at visual education was received with enthusiasm by all. The present director of young people's work in Synod served as camp director, ably assisted by the Rev. Mr. W. F. Most. Plans for the 1946 Camp are being made now; it will be held at Camp Sheldon August 25th to 30th.

In conclusion, we gratefully acknowledge the active support given by the pastors of Synod in connection with the Luther League Camp as well as with the district rallies. Above all we want to thank the Executive Committee of Synod for its co-operation and for the financial support given to the young people's work during the past year.

Following is the financial report of the Young People's Division of the Committee on Parish Life and Work:

Receipts:		
From the Synod of Nebraska	$200.00	
Registration fees at camp	80.00	
Received for meals, etc., at camp	535.45	
Miscellaneous	.30	
		$815.75
Disbursements:		
Camp Sheldon	$605.85	
Film and Projector rental	71.00	
Traveling Expenses (Camp Staff)	60.48	
Youth Hymnals	11.44	
Traveling Expenses (Promotional)	12.00	
Mimeograph Supplies	11.55	
Postage, Express, Bank Drafts	4.67	
Telegrams and Telephone calls	1.67	
		$778.66
Balance on hand, February 5, 1946	$ 37.09	

Recommendations

1. That Synod continue to give adequate financial support to the promotion of youth work, until such time as the Luther League is able to take over.

2. That every pastor give support to all efforts being made in the direction toward a more adequate youth program in Synod.

3. That Synod authorize the appointment of a committee to investigate the possibilities of securing a Synod-owned youth camp,

which would not ony be less expensive to operate than a rented camp, but would also make possible an expanding program of youth work in Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

G. GIESCHEN, Director of Youth Work.
COMMITTEE ON PARISH LIFE AND WORK
of the Synod of Nebraska.

Rev. W. F. Most, President of the Synodical Luther League was presented to Synod by Rev. G. Gieschen, Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Youth of the Church. Rev. Most presented his Report to Synod. A motion carried that Recommendation 1 be amended to read: ". . . . make every effort to organize a Luther League now." A motion carried that Recommendation 1 be adopted as amended. Motions carried adopted Recommendations 2, 3, 4. A motion carried that Recommendation 5 be amended to read "The Executive Committee of the Synodical Luther League at its meeting April 28, 1946, at Luther Memorial Church, Omaha, Nebr., resolved to petition the Synod of Nebraska to finance the sending of one delegate to the National Luther League Convention, Pittsburgh, Pa., July 11-15, 1946, if the Synodical Luther League will finance the sending of one delegate and that the Committee on Parish Life and Work make the appointments of the delegates." A motion carried that Recommendation 5 be adopted as amended.

REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA SYNOD TO THE SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

The Luther League of Nebraska began its present fiscal year with an inspiring and well planned camp-convention at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebraska, August 26-31, 1945. Although the enrollment was slightly lower than in former years, we yet feel that the camp period was most successful in its presentation of a more varied, inspirational and educational program.

The call of the hour is for a more concerted effort in the binding together of the forces of righteousness and, thus united, combat the forces of evil in our day. The Luther League of America plays an important role in binding together and holding the youth of our church.

May the Holy Spirit awaken in all respective pastors and delegates of the individual congregations, the zeal to emphasize and promote more ardently the Luther League program among the youth in the reach of their respective parishes.

In the strength of the Almighty God and under his guidance, the Luther League has advanced and grown numerically in this past year. Credit is due to those pastors and interested laymen who have given their time and effort in promoting the cause of Christ among our youth. Much time and effort was expended by your synodical representative and we have enjoyed whole-hearted cooperation of the Synod. In the future much will depend on the interest and enthusiasm of all pastors and consecrated lay-leadership. We believe that with God's help and guidance great progress may be made in a greater Luther League in the Synod of Nebraska and consequently a greater Luther League of America.

Membership

There are 25 Leagues which are now actively affiliated with the Luther League of Nebraska. The following gains in membership are reported for this year: Auburn, Nebraska, St. Paul's—Junior League. Falls City—Senior League. Nebraska City—Senior League and Intermediate League. North Platte, Nebraska—Senior League. Luther Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska—Intermediate League. Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska—Intermediate League. Redeemer, Omaha, Nebraska—Intermediate League. Four other Leagues of congregations in the Nebraska Synod are giving thought and consideration of joining the Nebraska State League. May those congregations whose leagues are not active in the State League join soon and enjoy the broader fellowship of state affiliation.

Activities

The Annual Convention was held in connection with camp at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebraska, August 26-31. The following officers were elected: W. F. Most, President, 5211 Seward Street, Omaha, Nebraska; First Vice-President, Paul Kuenning, Auburn, Nebraska; Second Vice-President, Jean David, 6023 Parker Street, Omaha, Nebraska; Third Vice-President, Eldon Johnson, Davenport, Nebraska; Corresponding Secretary, Clyde Luther, Hooper, Nebraska; Recording Secretary, Lo Raine Meyer, Wayne, Nebraska; Treasurer, Carol Munson, 321 Park Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

A motion prevailed that steps be taken to purchase as many signs for Midland College as the present income for this cause would allow.

The convention recommends to Synod that they continue their investigations of buying a site and developing our own camp and that this be done as soon as possible.

The convention further recommended that the Luther League Echoes be incorporated into our official synodical paper and that we may have at least one page at our disposal.

An executive meeting was held September 23rd, 1945, at Western Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska. The duties of all officers were given by the president at this meeting. Rev. Paul Wiegman was appointed Extension Secretary. Rev. Fred Henkel was appointed Life Service Secretary. Rev. G. Gieschen was appointed Synodical Representative and Camp Director. The budget for the year was adopted. Another executive meeting was held December 9th, 1945, at Luther Memorial Church, Omaha, Nebraska.

The Officers and Workers conference was held at Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska, February 17th, 1946, with 207 enrolled. Rev. Paul Wiegman was chairman of the conference. An executive meeting was held during this conference.

Obligations

The Missionary objective for the year was announced by Rev. J. Frease early in January, 1946. The Luther League of America will endeavor to raise $5,000 by July, 1946, to be used in relief of Lutheran youth in Europe. The State League does not have a set quota, all contributions are voluntary. The treasurer of our state League kindly asks that contributions for this cause and sustaining member-

ship fund be sent in early. Our quota for sustaining membership is $85.00 for 1946. Our National dues are $75.00. Funds are coming in very slowly. We did not meet our quotas for last year. This must not happen again. Many leagues have not contributed toward the Midland Sign project. May all pastors stress the importance of meeting our obligations.

Recommendations

1. That pastors of congregations not having youth organizations, organize a Luther League NOW and adopt the program as set up by the Luther League of America.

2. That pastors of congregations which have a league not affiliated with the state League encourage them to do so.

3. That members of synod familiarize themselves more fully with the Luther League program and its departments and objectives and support the missionary and sustaining membership fund of the Luther League of America.

4. That pastors emphasize the importance of sending news to the publicity secretary, Rev. Paul deFreese, Hooper, Nebraska.

5. The Executive Committee of the Nebraska State Luther League at its meeting, April 29, 1946, at Luther Memorial Church, Omaha, Nebraska, resolved to petition the Synod of Nebraska to finance the sending of two delegates to the National Luther League Convention, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 11-15, 1946; and that the Committee on Parish Life and Work make the appointments of the delegates.

God grant that we may together increase as we cooperate in greater zeal and greater efficiency in building the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully,

W. F. MOST, President.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, LUTHER LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA
March 2, 1946

Balance on hand Septemer, 1945		$360.58
Income:		
Dues	$ 81.75	
Midland Signs	57.00	
Mission Project	----	
Rallies and Anniversary Appeal	49.30	
Sustaining Membership	----	
European Lutheran Youth Project	3.33	
War Service Program	1.00	
Workers Conference	51.75	
Total Income since September, 1945		244.13
Total Income as of March 2, 1946		604.71

Expenditures:		
National Dues	72.50	
Sustaining Membership	----	
Anniversary Appeal	100.00	
Midland Signs	----	
Mission Project	----	
Miscellaneous	20.00	
Camp	1.25	
Executive Committee Expense	92.69	
Total Expenditures		286.44
Balance on Hand March 2, 1946		$318.27

CAROL MUNSON, Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

For the Synod of Nebraska, February 25, 1946

At the end of another year, we are most grateful to God for the fine response which the Children of the Church of the Nebraska Synod gave to the budget of $12,000 set for the year, 1945, by the United Lutheran Church in America. Eight objectives were supported.

In looking over past records we found the free-will offerings of the children for 1943 amounted to $127; for 1944, the amount was $125; and for 1945—the largest sum of all—$262.

As far as material gifts go—this response reveals the young of the church as good stewards. Commendable is their continued interest in the work of the church at large. The U. L. C. A. record is just as remarkable—with total contributions of $18,319.98 for 1945—meeting the budget 150% plus.

Respectfully submitted,

AMANDA JORN, Chairman,
Children of the Church Committee
of the Nebraska Synod.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for lay member of the Board of Trustees of Midland College. Mr. A. E. Hecker was declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical member of the Board of Trustees of Tabitha Home.

Rev. Paul Wiegman, Reporter to The Lutheran, explained the procedure of his Office.

The Report of the Committee on Publications was presented by Rev. C. J. Olson, Chairman. A motion carried that the Recommendations be adopted.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

Your Committee on Publications desires to recommend that Pastors and Laymen carefully peruse the reviews of new books in

"The Lutheran" and other journals published by the United Lutheran Church and endeavor to secure and read as many of these as possible.

We suggest that Book Clubs be organized in our Congregations, that each member purchase a book, read it and then pass it along to all the other members. Thus each book will ultimately return to the owner as his or her permanent possession.

We also suggest that books be selected as gifts to relatives and friends instead of other things of less value.

Publications by the U.L.C.A. are worthy of much greater patronage by both clerical and lay members of our Synod.

We are happy to recommend the following books:

I. **Reprints:**

(a) PRAYERS, by Leander M. Zimmerman.
(b) HOW SHALL I SAY IT? by Ross H. Stover.
(c) ON WINGS OF HEALING, by John W. Doberstein.
(d) PARISH PRACTICE, by Paul J. Hoh.

II. **New Publications:**

(a) THE JOURNALS OF HENRY MELCHIOR MUHLENBERG, Vol. II.
(b) AN OUTLINE OF MISSIONS, by John Aberly.
(c) DIVINE INVASION, by Paul Z. Strodach.
(d) GRACEFUL GIVING, by Amos J. Traver.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL J. OLSON, Chairman.
ERICH PETERSEN.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical member of the Tabitha Home Trustees. Dr. L. H. Lesher was declared elected.

Mr. Wm. Tegtmeyer and Mr. Elmer C. Strom were nominated for lay member of the Tabitha Home Trustees.

The first ballot was taken for the lay member of the Tabitha Home Trustees.

The Report of the Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to The Lutheran was presented by Rev. Harry Mumm, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR PROMOTING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE LUTHERAN

Your committee sent to every congregation in Synod two letters under the dates of September 18 and October 19, 1945. Pastors were urged to actively promote subscriptions to The Lutheran. On November 9 a postal card questionnaire was sent out. Twenty-two replies were received.

Nine Pastors reported conducting special subscription campaigns, some with very encouraging results. The twenty-two replies indicated over 175 subscribers in our Synod, but since this information is incomplete, it is no doubt very conservative.

Various methods of promotion were reported by the Pastors, but in every case the most successful was to place some organization (usually a Luther League) in charge and conduct a definite and well-planned campaign.

Your committee expresses its gratitude for the cooperation received.

There are no recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY J. MUMM, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Students in Non-Lutheran Schools was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENTS IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

1. University of Nebraska and College of Agriculture, Lincoln.

The work among Lutheran students of the National Lutheran Council churches at both of these institutions is under the direction of Pastor Alvin M. Petersen, who serves part time. He maintains regular office hours at the city campus, and is adviser to the Lutheran Student Association there and to one at the College of Agriculture. All Lutheran students are contacted by mail or personally. During the first semester 422 students of Lutheran faith were registered, of which slightly over 100 were of the Missouri Synod. The second semester shows a marked increase with 656 Lutherans enrolled, and nearly 500 of them are of National Lutheran Council churches.

A new project this year is the establishment of a Lutheran Center in the pastor's home, near the College of Agriculture. The students meet regularly for social and inspirational meetings. This arrangement has enabled us to reach the Ag students much more successfully. The city campus LSA has its regular meetings each Sunday evening in rented social room of the Baptist Student Center. Efforts are put forth at all times to get students to faithfully attend worship services in their respective Synod churches in Lincoln.

The large enrollment of Lutheran students, 10% of the total, makes it imperative that student work be expanded. Two needs are outstanding. A student center at the city campus, and the services of a full-time adviser. The spiritual work among our Lutheran sons and daughters who attend these state schools should be of the best because of the secularized atmosphere of such intitutions. When the church invests so much in its colleges to minister to students in a sheltered environment, how can it neglect so grossly the spiritual needs of the large number of our fine young people who attend the state institutions? The total budget for our work at the University of Nebraska is $900, supplied equally by the U.L.C.A. and the American Lutheran Conference. $360.00 of this amount is for salary of the University pastor and the rest is for rent and promotion of the work at both campuses. The work is directed by the Lutheran Student Committee of Lincoln consisting of the pastor and a layman from each of the National Lutheran Council churches of the city. This Committee is grateful to the Syn-

od of Nebraska for its grant of $100.00 included in the above total, to assist in the highly important ministry to our youth in these great state schools. The Committee respectfully requests your continued aid for the school year 1946-47.

2. State Teachers College, Wayne.

Here the Rev. S. K. deFreese, appointee of the Board of Education and Midwest Synod pastor, is in charge of the Student work. The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt cooperates with Rev. deFreese as requested. Meetings are held in the Student Union twice each month at 7 P.M. for spiritual inspiration through study and discussion. The climax of social gatherings is the annual L.S.A. banquet held in May. Miss Ruth Pearson (Augustana) is the faculty sponsor of L.S.A. There are about 75 Lutheran students at this institution.

3. Omaha University.

Since a campus organization is strictly taboo at this institution, no work has been done with Lutheran students on the campus, during the year. Pastor H. J. Goede is our Synodical appointee for this work and is ready and willing to go as far as circumstances permit in serving Lutheran youth while at Omaha University.

4. State Teachers College, Peru.

Due to changes of pastorates, building programs, and the fact that there is no National Lutheran Council congregation in Peru, the student work at Peru has not been so well directed. However, contacts have been made with the students from time to time by Rev. Henkel. This work will be better organized now that the N.L.C.. has taken over supervision and support.

LELAND H. LESHER.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for lay member of the Tabitha Home Trustees. Mr. Elmer Strom was declared elected.

The first ballot was taken for clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

The following were nominated for lay-delegate to the convention of the U.L.C.A.: H. G. Wellensiek, Wm. F. Kedde, A. T. Yost, S. A. Wassum, O. L. Sturtevant, Joe Rasmussen, Wm. Wagner, W. W. Kuenning, Otto Nelson, Carl Hawkinson.

The first ballot was taken for lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

A motion carried that the time for this session be extended thirty minutes.

Dr. Harman stated that there was no Report from the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief.

Dr. C. B. Harman conveyed the greetings and best wishes of Synod to Dr. O. D. Baltzly.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. There was no election.

The second ballot was taken for clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

A motion carried that if the election is not completed on the second ballot the third ballot be limited to twice the number of candidates necessary to complete the election.

The Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes was presented by Rev. Erich Petersen. Memorials from Conferences were referred to the Executive Committee for action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE MINUTES

Your committee has examined the minutes of the North Platte Conference. The minutes of the South Platte and Western Conferences were not available.

The North Platte Conference meeting was held in First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City. Nebraska, J. E. Messer, Pastor, on October 9, 1945.

The following memorials were adopted:

1. That we of the North Platte Conference memorialize Synod to extend the time of our Synod meetings.

2. That we request the Synod to made the Nebraska Synod Lutheran a monthly informative and educational paper.

Respectfully submitted,

HARM KRUSE,
KARL GIGSTAD,
ERICH PETERSON.

The Report of the Committee on President's Report was presented by Rev. E. C. Mortensen. A motion carried that the Report be received.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Committee has noted in the President's Report evidences of faithful service, as shown in the progress of Synod in evangelism and benevolences, especially. His personal interest manifested toward pastors and congregations has helped to make this progress possible in these perilous and unsettled times.

There are no recommendations. Hence your committee has no recommendations to make.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MORTENSEN, Chairman,
A. W. YOUNG,
ARTHUR JOHANSEN.

A motion carried to hear the Report of the Tabitha Home Trustees. The Report was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

TABITHA HOME

Under the blessings and guidance of Almighty God, Tabitha Home has spent another year in service in the name of our Lord and Saviour, to needy Humanity.

Tabitha Home has come to her sixtieth year. It was 1886 that Rev. H. Heiner established Tabitha Home at this location here in Lincoln, Nebraska. Over 2000 children and hundreds of old people have found refuge and Christian love within her walls.

During the year 1945, the Home served 86 aged men and women. Eleven men and 10 women were received, 9 passed away and 6 were dismissed. At the end of the year there were 71 aged guests with us. Likewise during 1945, 50 children received ministration. Eight boys and 7 girls were received and 5 boys and 3 girls were dismissed. The total number of children living at the Home at the end of the year was 42.

The generous contributions experienced by the Church as a whole during the year were also experienced by the Institutions of the Church. From the constituent Synods Tabitha Home received $9,806.14, which was $396.00 more than the preceding year. From Voluntary gifts the Home received for General expenses, $9,035.63, which was $2,758.00 more than the preceding year. We received in General Income, $20,825.00 excess over expenses. From this $20,825.00 excess, $12,980.00 was placed in the Building Fund and $11,880.00 was placed in the Emergency and Depreciation Fund. The balance is still carried in the General Fund.

The Building Fund received during the year, $56,368.00. At the end of the year this fund amounted to $161,432.00, but to date has amounted to over $175,000.00. Tabitha Home's total Assets, according to our official audit, were increased during 1945 by $81,513.49.

At present Tabitha Home is beginning the development of the Luckey farm, presented to us by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Luckey. It will be developed into a dairy and meat produce farm for Tabitha Home. At the March meeting of the Board, we anticipate the hearty approval of the Board to the establishing of a Department for Crippled Children, at the Home. By the time the Synods meet, we will have definite information on this subject.

The Board, at the March meeting will also be called upon to make the decision of whether to go ahead with our building at this time or wait for more favorable economic conditions.

God has abundantly blessed Tabitha Home during the year 1945. for which we should all devoutly thank Him.

Respectfully submitted,

O. W. EBRIGHT. Superintendent.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for lay delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. The following men were declared elected: A. T. Yost, H. G. Wellensiek, Esq., O. L. Sturtevant.

The session was adjourned. Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of Synod.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 2 P.M. MAY 1, 1946

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. F. L. Cress. His message was based upon the words of Holy Scripture written in Mark 10:13.

A motion carried deferring roll call and reading of the minutes until the close of the session.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. The following pastors were declared elected: Dr. L. H. Lesher, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, Dr. Walter H. Traub, Rev. R. V. Davis.

The first ballot was taken for alternate clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

The second ballot was taken for lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

The Report of the Committee on Merger was presented by President J. C. Hershey.

MERGER COMMITTEE

As there was no occasion for a meeting during the year, your committee has no report.

Respectfully submitted,
T. J. C. SCHULDT.
OTTO NELSON.
J. C. HERSHEY, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Church Music was presented by Rev. W. F. Most.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

Under direction of the Chorister, Rev. Martin L. Dolbeer, Jr., special choral selections, quartets and solos were provided for Devotional Periods and the Brotherhood Banquet at the Synodical Convention, April 29, 30, May 1, 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. MOST,
H. J. GOEDE.

The Report of the Committee on Constitution was presented by President J. C. Hershey, Chairman. A motion carried to adopt the amendment referred to Synod by the 1945 Convention (1945 Min. Page 27). A motion carried that the Report of the Committee be approved and that the Committee be requested to present a new Constitution at the next meeting of Synod.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION

Copies of Suggested Constitutions for Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America have been distributed to the members of the committee for their study. No meeting has been held. We have no report to submit at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. G. K. RUBRECHT, D.D.
REV. J. B. RUPLEY, SR.
MR. H. G. WELLENSIEK, ESQ.
REV. J. C. HERSHEY, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on 75th Anniversary Observance was presented by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht. A motion carried that the objectives of the Committee be approved and that Synod underwrite the cost of publishing a historical booklet to the amount of $600.

REPORT OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Your Committee met at Western Theological Seminary in August, 1945. Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht was elected chairman, Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, secretary,

After discussing items for a future program, the committee adjourned to convene at the call of the chairman.

Your committee considers favorably the following activities:

I. That a banquet be held at the next meeting of Synod in commemoration of our seventy-fifth anniversary.

II. That a special effort be made to gather literary documents and other material bearing on the history of the Synod, the same to become the property of the Synod.

III. That a booklet be published with appropriate illustrations and historical matter which shall be a permanent memorial. Such booklet should be designed to be of interest to laymen and to be sold to members in all our congregations.

The committee would recommend these objectives and request that the Synod allocate funds sufficient to achieve the same.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

G. KELLER RUBRECHT, Chairman.
P. W. H. FREDERICK, Secretary.
W. T. KAHSE.
C. B. HARMAN.
J. C. HERSHEY.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for alternate clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. The following pastors were declared elected: Rev. G. Gieschen, Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Dr. P. W. H. Frederick, Rev. W. F. Most.

The second ballot was taken for alternate clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for lay delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. There was no election. A motion carried that if there be no election on the third ballot the fourth ballot be limited to the four candidates receiving the greatest number of votes on the third ballot.

The third ballot was taken for lay delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for alternate clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. There was no election.

The third ballot was taken for alternate clerical delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. A motion carried that if there be no election on the third ballot for alternate clerical delegate to the convention of the U.L.C.A. the fourth ballot be limited to the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes on the second ballot.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Rev. F. L. Cress. A motion carried that the resolutions be adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Your Committee submits the following resolutions:

1. Be it resolved that we express our appreciation and gratitude to the Pastor and Congregation of First Lutheran Church for their hospitality and courtesies extended Synod and request that the Pastor read this resolution at one of his services.

2. That we extend our sympathy to Rev. Messer, with our best wishes and prayers for an early complete recovery from his illness which prevented him from attending the meetings of Synod.

3. That we thank the High School Choir, the Church Choir and Synodical Choir and Quartette for the splendid and inspiring music which they provided.

4. That we urge our pastors to give more active support to the Women's Missionary Society; the Brotherhood; and the Luther League, official auxiliaries of the U. L. C. A.

5. That we urge our pastors to make a special effort to raise the apportionment of the Synod for their parish.

6. That the Synod pay fifteen dollars to the First Lutheran Church for janitor services during the Convention.

7. That we express our appreciation to the Rev. Calvin F. Stickles, D.D., Representative of the U.L.C.A., for his inspiring, interesting contribution to the program of the Convention.

W. A. KLINK
H. G. WELLENSIEK
LELAND H. LESHER

The tellers reported on the 3rd ballot for alternate clerical delegate to the convention of the U.L.C.A. Pastor H. J. Goede was declared elected.

The tellers reported on the 3rd ballot for lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. There was no election.

The 4th ballot was taken for lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

The following resolution was presented to the Synod by Dr. P. W. H. Frederick. A motion carried that the resolution be adopted.

RESOLVED, that we greatly deplore the fact that the authorities acting in behalf of the Lutheran Children's Home in Fremont became an intervenor in the suit in Lancaster County involving a bequest for a Children's home and request that they dismiss their appeal.

The President of the Synod convey this action to the proper authorities and use his good offices to obtain favorable action.

P. W. H. FREDERICK

The Report of the Committee on Claims was presented by Rev. J. C. Miller. A motion carried that the Recommendation be adopted

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS

Your Committee on Claims has received the following:
Expense of appearing before Examining Committee,
Kendig Rupley, $10.50
John K. Shirck, $10.50
Marvin Suhr, $8.00
Telegram, 95c

J. C. MILLER
M. G. LEAMER

The Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was presented by Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer. A motion carried that it be adopted.

COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Your Committee presents the following requests for excuse from part or all sessions of Synod.

Rev. A. H. Pinkall—all Wednesday sessions.
Rev. W. I. Guss—all sessions.
Rev. G. K. Rubrecht—Tuesday morning.
Rev. W. T. Kahse—all sessions.
Rev. F. S. Delo—all sessions.
Rev. C. J. Olson—Wednesday afternoon.
Dr. Walter H. Beck—Wednesday sessions.
Rudolph Polenz, Leigh—all sessions.
Henry Dasenbrock—all sessions.
Henry Grimm—Wednesday sessions.
Albert Quelle—all sessions.
Harry Tilgner—all sessions.
Dr. Geo. W. Hartwig—all sessions.
Levi Delimont—all sessions.
George H. Haase—Wednesday sessions.
Fred Liedtke—all sessions.
Milton Nelson—all sessions.
Alvin Larsen—all sessions.
Fred Weber—all sessions.

Rev. J. E. Messer—all sessions.
D. L. Tyrrell—Wednesday sessions.
George C. Bartels, all sessions.
Harm Kruse—Wednesday afternoon.
Dr. William F. Rangeler—Wednesday sessions.
Dr. W. P. Hieronymus—Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday sessions.
Dr. J. S. Leamer—all sessions.

Absent without excuse.

Rev. E. Switzer—Hildreth
Chester Rodgers—Falls City
Louis Rodenbrock—Nebraska City
A. A. Meyer, Nebraska City
Emil Nombailis—Stella
John C. Whitforth—Hildreth
Hobbe Garrelts—Hildeth
Mrs. Skocpol—Wilber

W. W. KUENNING
M. L. DOLBEER, Jr.
R. R. PFEIFFER

The tellers reported on the 4th ballot for lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. Mr. W. Kuenning was declared elected.

The 5th ballot was taken for lay-delegate to the convention of the U.L.C.A.

Rev. Fred Kern extended an invitation to hold the next meeting of Synod at Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont.

A motion carried that Pastors J. B. Rupley, Sr., and A. H. Pinkall, with the President of Synod, serve as our Synodical Committee to act with other similar Committees which may be appointed to work toward the separation of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary should such a procedure be undertaken.

The tellers reported on the 5th ballot for lay-delegate to the convention of the U.L.C.A. Mr. William F. Kedde was declared elected.

A motion carried that the 5 candidates not elected as lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. constitute the nominees for alternate lay-delegates to that convenion. A motion carried that the nominations cease.

A motion carried that the order of precedence of alternate lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A. be determined according to the tabulations of the 2nd ballot which was taken and that a vote be taken to determine the order of precedence of O. L. Nelson and Carl Hawkinson whose votes were tied. A ballot was accordingly taken. The following was declared the order of alternate lay-delegates to the convention of the U.L.C.A.: S. A. Wassum, Carl Hawkinson, O. L. Nelson, Wm. Wagner, Joe Rasmussen.

The Report of the Committee on Synodical Paper was pre-

sented by President J. C. Hershey. A motion carried to amend Recommendation 1 with the provision for improvement in quality and appearance of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran. A motion carried that Recommendation 1 be adopted as amended. A motion carried to amend Recommendation 2 to read "$550.00." A motion carried to adopt recommendation 2 as amended.

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL PAPER

Each quarter one issue of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran of 7,000 copies each was printed and sent out to the congregations at a cost of $288.18.

Your committee recommends:

1. That five issues be printed and sent to the congregations this year and that the Synodical Bulletin be printed in place of the sixth issue.

2. That Synod appropriate $450.00 for the printing of the five issues.

Respectfully submitted,

H. DUMLER.
E. G. MORTENSEN.
PAUL WIEGMAN.
J. C. HERSHEY, Chairman.

The Secretary presented the Budget for 1947 as amended. A motion carried that the budget be adopted as amended.

BUDGET FOR 1947

Section 1. Fixed Items

Salaries	$ 3,250.00
Midland College (1.05 per Communing Member	13,743.00
Western Seminary (.25 per Communing Member)	3,272.00
President's Travel Expense	700.00
Missions	3,000.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Synodical Paper	550.00
General Expense Fund	350.00
Printing	300.00
Student Work at Uni. of Nebraska	100.00
Young People's Camp	75.00
Auditor's Fees	25.00
Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Committee on Parish Life and Work	150.00

75th Anniversary	600.00	
Total	$26,625.00	$26,625.00

Section 2. The Apportionment.

The United Lutheran Church in America	$37,794.00	
Tabitha Home	7,352.00	
Total	$45,146.00	$45,146.00
Grand Total		$71,771.00

Per Communing Member $5.48.

In accordance with the budget adopted by Synod, the Apportionment for 1947, based upon a Communing Membership of 13,089 is as follows ($5.48 per Communing Member):

Allen	$ 483	North Platte	3,209
Auburn	1,929	Omaha, First	1,260
Beatrice	659	Omaha, Grace	975
Benedict	630	Omaha, K. M.	12,960
Bellevue	269	Omaha, L. M.	964
Broadwater	433	Omaha, Redeemer	2,132
Columbus	406	Omaha, St. Luke's	3,080
Dakota City, Emmanuel	49	Omaha, St. Mark's	586
Dakota City, Salem	707	Oshkosh	279
Dalton	422	Paxton	712
Davenport	1,112	Ponca	1,211
Eagle	230	Potter	192
Emerson	1,699	Rising City	696
Ericson	87	Scribner	932
Falls City	2,839	Sidney	680
Fremont	2,714	Snyder	290
Grand Island	6,795	South Sioux City	1,797
Gurley	444	Spencer	373
Hampton	285	Stamford	663
Hardy	345	Stella	132
Hildreth	499	Sutherland	88
Homer	312	Tekamah	658
Hooper	1,364	Vacoma	274
Hubbard	247	Verdon	486
Leigh	1,008	Walton	471
Lewellen	304	Wayne	1,606
Lincoln	3,173	West Point	2,077
McCool Junction	789	Wilber	372
Nebraska City	959	Wolbach	548
		York	647

The Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was presented orally by Rev. H. Joens. A motion carried that the item pertaining to the sale of church at Ericson be referred to the Missionary Committee for action.

The Report of the Missionary Committee was presented by President J. C. Hershey. A motion carried that the President serve as Missionary Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

The officers of this committee are Mr. Otto Nelson, president; Rev. J. C. Hershey, secretary; and Rev. A. H. Pinkall, treasurer.

Your committee in charge of the missionary work of Synod beg leave to submit the following report:

Four meetings were held during the year. New missions are being contemplated, but nothing definite can be reported at this time. Most of our present missions are making fine progress. Three have become self supporting, Broadwater, Spencer, and Scribner.

BROADWATER was organized in 1934 and has combined with Gurley and Dalton in calling Rev. Raymond Bartels as pastor. Rev. Bartels supplied this congregation two years before accepting a call. He began full time services September 15, 1945, following his graduation from Western Seminary. Funds are being gathered for a new church.

BELLEVUE is our youngest mission, having been organized in 1944. This mission is being served by Rev. P. O. Anderson who graduated from Western Seminary last year. The Glenn Martin Plant has been closed but the city of Bellevue has not suffered a decrease in its population. The personnel is changing. New families are moving from Omaha and many of them hold their membership in Omaha churches. The Sunday School attendance continues to increase.

COLUMBUS was organized in 1931. Rev. John Shiery became the pastor June 1, 1944. Exceptionally fine progress is being made. The average attendance is increasing in both the church and Sunday School. Apportioned benevolence and Lutheran World Action were paid in full. On January 20th the final mortgage was burned at the morning service. During the year there was an increase of 18% in the baptized, 16% in the confirmed, and 8% in the communing membership.

LUTHER MEMORIAL, OMAHA, was organized in 1936. Rev. W. F. Most became the pastor May 1, 1943. The problem facing this mission is more room for its growing congregation. A new electric Hammond organ has been purchased, 167.6% of the apportioned benevolence was paid, it went over 100% in its contribution to Lutheran World Action, and has decreased its indebtedness to the Board of American Missions.

SCRIBNER was organized in 1935. A senior in the seminary, John Jacobs, has been called by this mission. He has accepted and is applying for ordination at this Synodical convention. He has been supplying this congregation for several months and both he and Mrs. Jacobs have endeared themselves to the people. Two years ago a house and two lots were purchased. Last year the store building in which the congregation has been worshiping was bought and this year this congregation has become self-supporting. With no indebtedness these good people are to be commended for their fine progress.

SPENCER was organized in 1930. This mission has been vacant for more than two years. It is being served every other week by

seminary students. Arrangements have been made for student Marvin Suhr to become the regular supply. He will be a senior next year and is applying for licensure at this meeting of Synod.

A mission for Mexicans has been opened by student Carloz Guzman at 1318 South 12th Street in Omaha. At present the home of one of the Mexican families is being used for services. Two services are held each Sunday, one in the forenoon in the Spanish language and another in the afternoon in the English language. A Sunday School and Luther League have been organized and are well attended. Rev. A. H. Pinkall, a member of the Missionary Committee, is supervising this work and baptized several members and administered communion. These members will hold their membership in St. Luke's until a congregation is offically organized.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HERSHEY, Secretary

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. F. W. Henkel, Chairman.

There were no missionaries available during the Epiphany season according to word received from the Board of Foreign Missions. All missionaries were being sent to their respective fields of labor as soon as openings occurred. There is a possibility of having one on the field soon after the Easter season.

Yours respectfully,

F. W. HENKEL, Chairman.
PAUL DE FREESE.
H. C. CORDTS.
H. U. SHIERY.
F. L. CRESS.
O. L. STURTEVANT.

The Report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by Rev. J. B. Rupley, Jr. A motion carried that the recommendations be adopted.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

The work of the synodical committee on social missions is to promote and further the program of Board of Social Missions in our synod. Your committee urges that groups within the congregations study the Charter of the United Nations. Your committee is counting on every pastor and layman to do his utmost to make EVANGELISM the primary task during 1946 and 1947.

Recommendations:

1. That in as much as all major Protestant bodies are making Lay Visitation Evangelism their objective during 1946 and 1947, that the congregations of the Synod cooperate actively by using the program of Visitation Evangelism as prepared and distributed by The

Board of Social Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. That the congregations of the Synod seriously engage in the efforts to reclaim their lapsed members, using the period suggested by The Board of Social Missions, September 15 to December 15, 1946, and that they follow the plan prepared and sent to each pastor by that Board.

3. That the subject of reclaiming the Lapsed Members be given consideration at each of the fall conferences of the Synod in 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY DUMLER, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges was presented by Rev. H. J. Goede.

COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS AND PASTORAL CHARGES

Your committee reports no correspondence and no activity.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. GOEDE, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on Protocol was presented by Rev. J. H. M. Shiery. A motion carried that the Report be received.

REPORT OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

Your committee has compared the protocol with the printed minutes and wish to report the following discrepancy:

1. In the printed minutes under Trustees of Midland College the term of John B. Rupley Sr. appears 1942-1945 and should appear as 1945-1948.

2. The name of T. D. Rinde is included (erroneously) in the roll of Synod, whereas his synodical membership is in the Iowa Synod.

Respectfully Submitted,

KARL GIGSTAD

J. H. M. SHIERY

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by Mr. Wm. F. Kedde. A motion carried that Recommendation 1 be adopted. Recommendation 2 was rejected.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The report of the Treasurer as it appeared in the last copy of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran indicates a quite substantial increase over 1944. 77.5% is encouraging, but not satisfying. The report of your Committee one year ago, accepted by Synod, contains this sig-

nificant statement: "Your Committee believes that each Pastor and Church Council should continue to pray and plan for conscientious presentation of the whole cause of Christian Stewardship." We tacitly accepted that challenge. What have we done about it? "The prayers of good men availeth much."

Your present Committee has met several times during the past year in prayerful consideration of this matter of Stewardship from all its angles and can do no more than recommend again that our pastors strive with God's help to meet the needs of a war ravaged world. Remember our Church is again asking for 125% benevolence in 1946. It calls for the sacrifices of so little on the part of each of us to meet that goal and your Committee feels that our people need only to have the matter presented with conviction, and confidently leave the results with our God, who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

Recommendations

1. Your Committee recommends that the entire amount of apportioned benevolence, Lutheran World Action and Midland College be presented by the pastors to their congregations and an effort made to have the members meet this by a payment of $1.00 per month. Your Committee feels that this is not too much to ask to the glory of God and the building of a Christian World.

2. Your Committee recommends that Synod follow the plan suggested by the National Lutheran Council for the gathering of funds for Lutheran World Action and that the Stewardship Committee be empowered to appoint such directors as are necessary.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE.

The following Officers were installed by the President: Dr. C. B. Harman, Vice President; Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, Sec'y.; Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Historian and Necrologist; Rev. R. V. Davis, Statistician.

The Secretary installed Dr. J. C. Hershey as President.

A motion carried to dispense with the reading of the Minutes and to refer any unfinished business to the Executive Committee of Synod for action.

The roll of Synod was called, twenty-eight pastors and fourteen lay delegates being present.

These Minutes are certified to be the correct record of the proceedings of the 74th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, convening April 29, 30, May 1, 1946, in First Lutheran church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, the Rev. J. E. Messer, Pastor.

J. C. HERSHEY, President
T. J. C. SCHULDT, Secretary

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	MEMBERSHIP																						EDUCATION																		Index Number
					CHILD MEMBERS									ADULT MEMBERS										PARISH															HIGHER				
					Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss	Accessions					Losses					Sunday Schools				Weekday Schools			Children of Church												
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	By Certificate	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	By Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	By Dismissal	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Number of Catechumens	In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutheran Institutions	In Other Luth. Insts.	In Non-Luth. Insts.				
1	Allen—First	245	210	90	6	7	13			2		2	11		2		11		13	2	*		9	1	14	75															1
2	Auburn—St. Paul's	734	488	352	16	4	20	8		3		11	9		10	25			35	2	3		5	1	24	165	8	34	1	7	75			30				2	4		2
3	Beatrice—Trinity	211	155	122	2		2						2		6		4		10	1	1	1	3	1	12	66		12														3
4	Bellevue—Immanuel	104	53	49	5	11	16			17	1	18		2	2	4	7		13	1	17		18	1	9	74		10	1	1	8			3					2		4
5	Benedict—Zion	302	212	115	5		5	4		3		7		2	3	4			7	1	5		6	1	19	93	4	15	1	2	25			6				1			5
6	Broadwater—United	277	192	79	6		6	1		1	16	18		12	1	3	1		5	3	3	10	16	1	7	44		12	1	3	43			9					2		6
7	Columbus—United	127	88	74	2	11	13	2	1	1		4	9			2	14		16	1	4		5	1	8	43		10	1	2	28			15				1			7
8	Dakota City—Emmanuel	23	21	9							3	3												1	4	15																8
9	Dakota City—Salem	382	255	129	15	5	20	3				3	17		1	3	11		15	1	1		2	1	19	70		25	1	10	45			3					3		9
10	Dalton—Trinity	190	149	77	2		2				15	15		13			1	15	16	1			1	1	6	35							5								10
11	Davenport—Christ's	591	328	203	16	1	17	2				2	15		5	3	6		14	7		21	35	1	23	177	4	18						8				1	4		11
12	Eagle—Trinity	88	66	42	1		1						1								2		2															1			12
13	Emerson—St. Luke's	871	554	310	18	6	24	30		9		39		15	13	27	8	3	51	3	16		19	1	21	90		39						27					2		13
*14	Ericson—First	47	27	16																																						14*
15	Falls City—St. Paul's	962	690	518	26	14	40	12		16		28	12		3	12	16		31	1	26		27	1	20	192		34						16								15
16	Fremont—Salem	1025	740	524	35		35	12				12	23		2	3	22	1	28	12			12	1	35	294		22	1	14	190			25	1		9		2		16
17	Grand Island—St. Paul's	2701	1810	1240	81	5	86	33				33	53		44	75	6	17	142	12	8		20	1	41	352		114						114	1			2	11		17
18	Gurley—Grace	202	144	81	7		7	8	1	6	11	26		19		7		11	18	2	8		10	1	13	97	10	33						11				1	1		18
19	Hampton—Emmanuel	134	97	52	4		4		1			1	3							3	1		4	1	8	45		6	1	3	15			2								19
20	Hardy—St. Paul's	148	95	63																				1	12	96																20
21	Hildreth—St. Paul's	246	201	91	3		3			1		1	2				1		1	1	2		3	1	14	66		9						12				1			21
‡22	Homer—St. Paul's	379	324	57	9		9	11		2		13		4	3	11			14	1	2		3	1	4	38			1	6	33			13							22
23	Hooper—Grace	424	282	249	6	9	15			2		2	13		1	4	16		21	4	8		12	1	11	101		26					8	11				2	7		23
‡24	Hubbard—Trinity	203	163	45	3		3	4				4		1	6				6		5		5	1	4	20			1	4	28			6							24
25	Leigh—St. John's	425	270	184	9		9	15				15		6	6	21	6		33			1	1	1	13	55		31	1	3	28			14					1		25
26	Lewellen—Grace	213	102	56	1		1						1			2			2	1			1	1	11	59												1		26
27	Lincoln—Grace	1006	836	579	43	5	48	12		3		15	33		1	29	13		43	4	15	10	29	1	39	281		45	1	8	69			48				3	12		27
28	McCool Junction—First	254	178	144	9		9		15		1	16		7	2	11	3		16	6	1		7	1	10	45		12											4		28
29	Nebraska City—First	381	248	175	8		8	10				10		2	1	10	20		31	5	6		11	1	14	105		32						11				2	1		29
30	North Platte—First	1281	1006	586	21	20	41		1		15	16	25		18	56	22	15	111	9	5	30	44	1	39	351	10	60	1	8	86			45				2	15		30
31	Omaha—First	633	388	230	25	5	30	20	2	2		24	6		6	22	15	10	53	2	4	8	14	1	28	204		28	1	8	97			30					3		31
32	Omaha—Grace	460	291	178	30	8	38	12				12	26		10	20	8		38	3			3	1	16	102		21	1	6	31	3	21	12				1	3		32
33	Omaha—Kountze Memorial	6431	4732	2365	97	75	172	80	3	89		172			31	99	59	41	230	45	65	118	228	4	109	890		290					2	14	150							33
34	Omaha—Luther Memorial	314	227	176	8	13	21	3				3	18		7	16	30	3	56	1	4		5	1	20	104		20	1	6	73			10				5			34
35	Omaha—Redeemer	1371	971	389	17	13	30	14	1	13		28	2		13	33	15		61	3	14		17	1	32	245		40	1	10	88	4	23	71	1		4	11			35
36	Omaha—St. Luke's	1278	875	562	56	28	84	10		21	45	76	8		10	21	28	19	78	4	26	42	72	1	34	300		54	1	13	115	7	58	45			1	6			36
37	Omaha—St. Mark's	513	290	107	1		1					1								2	5	1	8	1	17	75		6										1			37
38	Oshkosh—St. Mark's	180	122	51	4	1	5	3				3	2			8	2		10	1			1	1	11	70								8					1		38
39	Paxton—Trinity	459	328	130	15	5	20	7	3	1		11	9		1	8	5		14	3	1		4	1	15	85		35						14				2	1		39
40	Ponca—Salem	425	327	221	19	5	24	22			24	46		22	1	23	5	1	30	3		64	67	1	11	90						3	16	24					3		40
41	Potter—First	97	68	35	3		3						3											1	5	35								6							41
42	Rising City—First	291	207	127	5		5	4	3			7		2	1	5	6		12	1	1		2	1	12	70		15						6				3			42
*43	Scribner—United	392	260	170																				1	12	73																43*
44	Sidney—Trinity	481	245	124	17	2	19	8				8	11		1	2	16		19	6			6	1	9	100								10							44
45	Snyder—Immanuel	118	87	53	1		1						1								3		3																			45
46	So. Sioux City—First	759	518	328	24	12	36	7	1		200	208		172	12	25	30	7	74	6	5	120	131	1	24	160		40						20	1		1	8			46
47	Spencer—United	298	157	68	6		6						6								11		11	1	5	22		4						10							47
48	Stamford—Trinity	172	153	121	4	1	5	16				16		11	2	16	8		26	2		1	3	1	30	86		8	1	2	9	2	24	16			2	3			48
49	Stella—Trinity	67	39	24	2		2						2								3		3	1	5	28															49
50	Sutherland—Grace	94	44	16	9		9		1			1	8							1			1											2							50
51	Tekamah—Emmanuel	262	181	120	9	2	11	5		1		12		1		5	6		11		12		12	1	10	79		22						7			1	1			51
52	Vacoma—St. John's	106	75	50	1		1			2		2		1	1		2		3		6		6																		52
53	Verdon—St. Mark's	262	196	89	4		4	1		1		2	2	0		1			1	1	4		5	1	10	94		8						8					1		53
*54	Walton—Grace	209	172	86																				1	7	36								4							54*
55	Wayne—St. Paul's	645	449	293	13		13	6		1		7	6		5	7	5	1	18	4	10	65	79	1	26	115		27	1	4	24			40				1	8		55
56	West Point—Grace	634	379	379	30	10	40	10		4		14	26		1	12	6		19	5	4		9	1	15	258		80						12				2	4		56
57	Wilber—First	341	173	68	5		5			2		2	3			1	2		3		3		3	1	12	85		50													57
58	Wolbach—Trinity	377	242	100	14		14	4				4	10		3	7		3	13					1	6	40								7							58
59	York—First	325	202	118	5		5	8				8		3		8	3		11	3	1		7	1	9	40		10													59
1945		32171	22382	13089	783	278	1061	407	33	209	328	977	379	293	235	651	439	150	1475	180	338	492	1010	57	944	6799	40	1357	20	120	1110	29	233	961	4		32	134	1945		
1944		31622	21917	12813	730	265	995	340	33	144	281	798	432	232	149	592	458	217	1416	173	278	484	935	57	942	6402	40	1328	21	118	1025	54	412	932	7		29	103	1944		
Inc.		549	465	276	53	13	66	67		65	47	179		60	86	59			59	7	60	8	75		2	397		31		2	85		25	179	29		3		29	Inc.		
Dec.													53				19	67										1											Dec.		

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1945	Language Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTISED Number of Members	BAPTISED Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTISED Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED Number of Members	CONFIRMED Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING Number of Members	COMMUNING Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Dixon	†	Cress, F. E.	Eng.	245	15	...	210	4	...	90	...	2	1
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Nemaha	††	Henkel, F. W.	"	734	39	...	488	30	...	352	33	...	2
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elk Sts.	Gage	*	Vacant	"	211	9	...	155	7	...	122	...	...	3
4	Bellevue	Immanuel	1945	24th and Franklin Sts.	Sarpy	††	Anderson, P. O.	"	104	...	7	53	...	5	49	...	9	4
5	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	York	††	Gigstad, Karl	"	302	...	1	212	1	...	115	12	...	5
6	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Morrill	†	Bartels, Raymond	"	277	...	23	192	...	11	79	1	...	6
7	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Platte	††	Shiery, John	"	127	20	...	88	11	...	74	6	...	7
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Dakota	†	Vacant	"	23	3	...	21	3	...	9	3	...	8
9	Dakota City	Salem	1872	3 mi. west of Dakota City	Dakota	†	Joens, H.	"	382	30	...	255	13	...	129	...	2	9
10	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Cheyenne	†	Bartels, Raymond	"	190	2	...	149	15	...	77	...	14	10
11	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Thayer	†	Dumler, H.	"	591	...	6	328	...	21	203	...	35	11
12	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Cass	†	Vacant	"	88	...	1	66	...	2	42	...	...	12
13	Emerson	St. Lukes	1911	Emerson	Dixon	‡	Pfeiffer, R. R.	"	871	17	...	554	32	...	310	44	...	13
14	Ericson	First	1898	Ericson	Richardson	†	Vacant	"	47	...	...	27	...	...	16	...	...	14*
15	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Dodge	††	Cordts, H. C.	P.&G. Eng.	962	16	...	690	4	...	518	12	...	15
16	Fremont	Salem	1902	E. Military Ave. & C St.	Hall	*	Vacant	"	1025	39	...	740	16	...	524	24	...	16
17	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 W. 2nd St.	Cheyenne	*	Rupley, J. B.	"	2701	175	...	1810	122	...	1240	144	...	17
18	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Hamilton	†	Bartels, Raymond	"	202	...	11	144	8	...	81	...	11	18
19	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Nuckolls	†	Gigstad, Karl	"	134	...	1	97	...	4	52	...	12	19
20	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Franklin	†	Rupley, K. (Supply)	"	148	...	...	95	...	...	63	...	...	20*
21	Hildreth	St. Paul's	1927	Hildreth	Dakota	†	Switzer, E.	"	246	...	...	201	...	2	91	1	...	21
22	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Dodge	‡	Joens, H.	"	379	7	...	324	11	...	57	...	104	22
23	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	Dakota	†	de Freese, Paul	"	424	22	...	282	9	...	249	20	...	23
24	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Colfax	‡	Joens, H.	"	203	...	...	163	1	...	45	...	15	24
25	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Garden	‡	Mumm, Harry	E.&G. Eng.	425	26	...	270	32	...	184	18	...	25
26	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Lancaster	‡	Heidenreich, W. C.	"	213	2	...	102	1	...	56	...	5	26
27	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	York	**	Lesher, L. H.	"	1006	47	...	836	14	...	579	14	...	27
28	McCool Junction	Grace	1900	McCool Junction	Otoe	†	Rupley, J. B., Jr.	"	254	2	...	178	9	...	144	14	...	28
29	Nebraska City	First	1866	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Lincoln	††	Davis, R. V.	"	381	18	...	248	20	...	175	5	...	29
30	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Douglas	*	Rubrecht, G. K.	"	1281	92	...	1006	67	...	586	35	...	30
31	Omaha	First	1907	2547 N. 62nd St.	Douglas	‡‡	Young, A. W.	"	633	45	...	388	39	...	230	8	...	31
32	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 S. 26th St.	Douglas	‡‡	Goede, H. J.	"	460	61	...	291	35	...	178	...	10	32
33	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Douglas	‡‡	Traub, W. H.	"	6431	2	...	4732	2	...	2365	12	...	33
34	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Mort, W. F.	"	314	69	...	227	51	...	176	26	...	34
35	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Geischen, G.	"	1371	46	...	971	44	...	389	16	...	35
36	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Pinkall, A. H.	"	1278	14	...	875	6	...	562	1	...	36
37	Omaha	St. Mark's	1886	20th and Burdette Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Vacant	"	513	...	7	290	...	8	107	...	8	37
38	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Garden	‡	Heidenreich, W. C.	"	180	11	...	122	9	...	51	9	...	38
39	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Keith	‡	Mortensen, E. C.	"	459	19	...	328	10	...	130	...	20	39
40	Ponca	Salem	1886	Ponca	Dixon	†	Petersen, Erich C.	"	425	...	59	327	...	37	221	22	...	40
41	Potter	First	1892	Potter	Cheyenne	†	Gies, W.	"	97	3	...	68	...	...	35	...	...	41
42	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City	Butler	†	Shirek, Robert	"	291	8	...	207	10	...	127	7	...	42
43	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner	Dodge	‡	Jacobs, John (Supply)	"	392	...	...	260	...	...	170	...	...	43*
44	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	Cheyenne	‡	Monnich, Henry	"	481	24	...	245	13	...	124	...	39	44
45	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder	Dodge	††	Messer, J. E.	"	118	...	2	87	...	3	53	1	...	45
46	So. Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts.	Dakota	‡	Jacobs, John (Supply)	"	759	...	229	518	...	57	328	20	...	46
47	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer	Boyd	‡	Vacant	"	298	...	5	157	...	11	68	...	19	47
48	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford	Harlan	†	Olson, Carl	"	172	11	...	153	23	...	121	25	...	48
49	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella	Richardson	†	Miller, J. C.	"	67	...	1	39	...	3	24	...	2	49
50	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland	Lincoln	‡	Mortensen, E. C.	"	94	7	...	44	...	1	16	...	1	50
51	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts.	Burt	†	Wiegman, P.	"	262	...	2	181	...	1	120	...	1	51
52	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	Washington	†	Wiegman, P.	"	106	...	4	75	...	3	50	...	10	52
53	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3½ mi. southwest of Verdon	Richardson	†	Miller, J. C.	"	262	...	2	196	...	4	89	...	11	53
54	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton	Lancaster	†	Vacant	"	209	...	...	172	...	...	86	...	...	54*
55	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne	Wayne	††	Schuldt, T. J. C.	"	645	...	55	449	...	61	293	37	...	55
56	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point	Cuming	††	Klink, W. A.	"	634	36	...	379	10	...	379	12	...	56
57	Wilber	First	1889	Wilbur	Saline	‡	Vacant	"	341	3	...	173	...	...	68	...	...	57
58	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach	Greeley	‡	Harman, C. B. (Supply)	"	377	23	...	242	13	...	100	17	...	58
59	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave.	York	††	Rupley, John	"	325	1	...	202	4	...	118	7	...	59
								Totals	32171	964	416	22382	699	234	13089	606	330	1945
								Totals	31622	1093	434	21917	731	250	12813	680	370	1944
									549			465			276			Inc.

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1944 Totals, Congregations, 59

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*Figures taken from a previous report; no new report having been received

† Under 500
‡ 500 to 2,499
†† 2,500 to 9,999
* 10,000 to 24,999
** 25,000 to 99,999
‡‡ 100,000 or over

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																						Index Number
	Men's		Women's		Mixed		Y'g People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE													
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED						
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures				
1	1	26	3	140					15000	4000				19000		1792	318	2110				32	42	74	454	108.00	182.00	2292.00			1
2	1	25	2	40			2	25	26000	4700				30700		4637	2356	6993	1206	668	160	522	440	2996	1448	1515.00	4311.00	11504.00			2
3	1	10	3	70					30000	6500				36500		3368		3368	244		37	1	231	513	542	383.00	896.00	1279.00			3
4			1	25					3000				500	3500	1900	875	330	1205					5	5		200.00	205.00	1410.00			4
5	1	25	3	55					8700	2700			740	12140		1482	421	1903	294	111		109	76	590	444	512.50	1102.50	3005.50			5
6			1	25					700	2500				3200	1060	1355	316	1671	159			16	126	301	142	202.50	503.00	2174.00			6
7			2	30	1	12	1	6	7500	4000				11500		2033	1992	4025	33			27	117	177	234	304.00	481.50	4506.00			7
8			2	24					6500				191	6691		39	38	77	3			50	10	63	27	10.00	73.00	150.00			8
9	1	8	2	60					15000	2500				17500		1913	226	2139	3			62	187	252	596	352.71	604.71	2743.71			9
10			1	43			1	14	2500					2500		1425	25	1450	194			45	133	372	444	280.00	652.00	2102.00			10
11			2	90			1	15	25000	6000				31000		2532	396	2928	156	10	5	512	155	838	999	1000.00	1838.00	4766.00			11
12			1	38					2000					2000		276	44	320							187	25.00	25.00	345.00			12
13	1	15	1	77			1	8	25000	5000				30000		2790	944	3734	127	62		675	794	1658	1137	751.50	2409.50	6143.50			13
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**Pastor at Stamford advises mistake in 1944 membership. Amount remitted represents over 100 per cent.

***Frank S. Delo refund from Board Inner Missions.

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